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SOVIETS CLAIM DESTRUCTION OF RUMANIAN OIL CENTRES Port of Constanza "Ceases To Exist"

Special to the "Telegraph"

NEW YORK, July 9 (UP).—ACCORDING TO THE NATIONAL BROADCASTING COMPANY, THE MOSCOW RADIO TO-DAY ASSERTED THAT THE RUSSIAN AIR FORCE HAD "COMPLETELY DESTROYED ENEMY OIL CENTRES IN RUMANIA." DAMAGE WAS PARTICULARLY HEAVY AT PLOESTI, ONE OF THE PRINCIPAL RUMANIAN OIL FIELDS.

THE REPORT ADDED THAT THE RUMANIAN BLACK SEA PORT OF CONSTANZA HAS "CEASED TO EXIST" AS A RESULT OF CONTINUAL BOMBARDMENT BY THE RUSSIAN FLEET AND AERIAL ATTACKS.

MOSCOW COMMUNIQUE

LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—A war communique issued by the Soviet Information Board and broadcast by the Moscow radio, states that throughout the day of July 9 fierce fighting was continued against large enemy tank and mechanised units trying to break through in Ostrov, Polotsk and Novograd-Volinsk directions.

"In the Ostrov sector our forces are engaged in a stubborn battle holding back the advance of superior enemy forces. In the direction of Polotsk, the enemy renewed his offensive this morning. Our troops met his offensive with deadly artillery and machinegun fire and with decisive counter-attacks.

HEAVY ENEMY LOSSES

"Fighting still continues, and the enemy is suffering heavy losses.

"In the direction of Lepel, our troops are making successful counter-thrusts against the enemy. In the Novograd-Volinsk area there was fierce fighting throughout the day between our troops and large enemy mechanised forces.

"In other directions, our troops are fighting stubbornly, maintaining their positions.

"Our aircraft operated against enemy mechanised units and destroyed enemy, aircraft on the ground. Our aircraft bombed Constanza, a port, and trade ports in Tulcea and Sulina, and the oil fields of Ploesti.

Ostrov Claimed By Nazis

LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—The German official news agency says that German troops have occupied Ostrov on the main road to Leningrad which is 200 miles to the northeast.

The town was captured after "attempts by Soviet troops to take up new defence positions on the Latvian front," adds the agency.

In Estonia, says the agency, Nazi troops have captured the port of Pernau and the town of Fellin, midway between Pernau and Dorpat.

Struggle On Pruth

VICHY, July 9 (Reuter).—A communique issued to-day by the Hungarian High Command, according to a Budapest dispatch to the Vichy news agency, states: "Our fast troops near the River Debrucz were engaged in combats with the enemy for the crossing of the River. Our cyclist group by forced march and our engineers by their unceasing work have contributed in no small measure to the successes."

The Debrucz is a tributary of the Dniester, which it joins just north of Choth.

Battle of Three Rivers

LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—The battle of the eastern front has developed into the Battle of the Three Rivers—Dvina, Dniester and Dnieper.

On Finnish Front

Salla Said Occupied

BUDAPEST, July 9 (Reuter).—An advance on the eastern frontier to a depth of five to 10 kilometres is claimed by the Finns in a Finnish communique quoted to-day by the Budapest wireless.

The communique adds that "our troops have occupied a few points beyond the southern frontier and have repulsed the enemy. Our air force carried out reconnaissance activity and dropped bombs."

Hungarian troops have reached the river Pruth and are fighting to force a crossing, states an official Hungarian communique.

Salla Occupied

BERLIN, July 9 (UP).—According to the official news agency, German troops on the Finnish front, after heavy fighting, have occupied the strongly fortified town of Salla.

Helinki Casualties

HELSINKI, July 9 (UP).—The first semi-official figures indicate that 14 persons were killed and 60 seriously injured in last night's Soviet air raid.

Unceasing Raids On Vital Nazi Industries

LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—Thirteen enemy aircraft were destroyed during to-day's offensive operations by the R.A.F. 12 by fighters and one by a bomber.

Eight British fighters are missing, the pilot of one being safe.

CHUNGKING & LONDON

Amity Emphasised

LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—Invited in the House of Commons to-day by the Labour member, Mr Philip Noel-Baker, to make a statement on the relations between the Government and Chungking in view of the recent Axis recognition of Nanking, Mr Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, replied that this development did not make any difference to the Government's Far Eastern policy which was based on recognition of Chungking—as the legitimate national Chinese Government.

On July 7, the Chinese entered the fifth year of their indomitable resistance. "I am happy to repeat the assurance I recently gave here that the British Government will continue to do what it can to help China to maintain her independence" (Cheers).

Message From M.P.

Mr Eden indicated his assent when Mr Noel-Baker expressed the hope that he would transmit that message to the Chinese Government with an assurance that it was warmly supported by all Parties in the House.

Far East Shipping Questions In House

LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—Replying to Sir John Wardlaw Milne, Mr Anthony Eden, in the House of Commons to-day, said that there had been some shortage of shipping in Far Eastern waters, resulting in difficulties for the Shanghai Power Company maintaining coal stocks.

However, he understood that the Company had succeeded in chartering a number of neutral vessels and were negotiating for others.

One section of a large bomber force which attacked Germany's industrial resources last night went to Halle and Leuna, near Leipzig, 550 miles from London, states the Air Ministry.

At Leuna, they bombed the synthetic oil plant of the IG Farbenindustrie, one of the principal factories on which depends Germany's attempts to secure economic self-sufficiency.

At great expense of coal and labour, this plant normally produces 400,000 metric tons of oil a year.

The British bombers made the long flight under a bright moon and were there and back within the short hours of the summer night.

Railway Blasted

A very heavy attack was made on the great railway system at Hamm. The yard was torn by explosions of many heavy bombs and the railway buildings also suffered. The large fires started could be seen burning fiercely many miles on the way home.

One British bomber which attacked Hamm met an enemy fighter. The rear-gunner drove it off and saw flames coming from it.

Muenster Again

Muenster was attacked for the fourth night in succession. One pilot described a huge fire in the town surrounded by many scattered outbreaks.

Railway lines were hit and at aerodromes close to the main railway stations large sheds burned fiercely and all the walls caved in.

Bielefeld and Essen were also attacked.

Raids Effective

LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—A fear that Britain may have some

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Sir Hubert Wilkins Donates To Fund

A donation to the Bomber Fund of US\$20 has been received from Sir Hubert Wilkins.

Mr Willkie Urges U.S. Bases In N. Ireland

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, July 9 (UP).—After a conference with President Roosevelt to-day, Mr Willkie announced that he was in favour of the establishment of American bases in Northern Ireland.

The President and Mr Willkie had a luncheon conference which lasted an hour and fifteen minutes, during which time they reviewed the international situation, particularly with regard to Iceland and the Russo-German war.

Mr Willkie later denied that there was any discussion about the possibility of him being "drafted" into a Federal job.

Effective Aid Needed

WASHINGTON, July 9 (Reuter).—Mr Wendell Willkie told the Press

U. S. FLEET GROWING RAPIDLY

WASHINGTON, July 9 (Reuter).—The United States will be producing 100 destroyers a year by 1943, disclosed Admiral A. M. Robinson, Chief of the Naval Bureau of Ships.

The United States shipbuilding programme, he declared, is proceeding much faster than the most optimistic in the Naval Department had expected but it is "absolutely essential" to speed up production materials to keep up this pace.

Testifying before the Senate Defence Investigating Committee, Admiral Robinson said that the programme was "four or five months" ahead of the rest of the national defence effort.

The Huns Tried Twice To Kill This Baby

Four-months-old Dorothy May Manson, pictured in her Granny's arms, after their Liverpool home had been bombed. Little Dorothy May was born in a blitz and came through it without a scratch, though there was devastation on all sides. And now, when the house was wrecked in a recent blitz, Dorothy was saved again by her Grandmother. This picture was taken in the wreckage of their home.



Vichy Admits Syria Defeat: Wants to Lay Down Arms

LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—An admission that the French Government cannot continue the struggle in Syria is contained in a communique issued to-day and reported in a Vichy dispatch to the official German news agency.

The Vichy communique says that despite all efforts, the French Government was not able to send its troops in Syria the reinforcements they required to continue the struggle.

Beirut Receives An Allied Ultimatum

Special to the "Telegraph"

CAIRO, July 9 (UP).—General Sir Henry Maitland Wilson, Commander-in-Chief of the Allied forces in Syria, has issued another ultimatum to General Dentz, the defending Commander-in-Chief.

Relentless R.A.F. Raids In Mid East

CAIRO, July 9 (Reuter).—Direct hits with heavy bombs were obtained by R.A.F. bombers on a railway station and warehouses near the harbour of Tripoli, says Wednesday's R.A.F. Middle East communique.

Aircraft of the Royal Australian Air Force carried out a diving machinegun attack on Vichy armoured cars and motor transport vehicles near Beirut.

During the night of July 7-8, heavy bombers attacked and damaged Vichy aircraft on the ground at Aleppo and on satellite aerodromes at Nasrullah where three Vichy aircraft were destroyed.

Cirenaica

In Cirenaica, R.A.F. bombers again carried out successful attacks on the harbour at Benghazi. In one of these raids a large petrol fire was started on a railway terminus siding. Another extensive fire was started at the base of the Cathedral Mole, causing a five-hundred yards' belt of flame which spread along the docks and which was visible for 40 miles.

Fires were started at the base of the central mole by another formation which also severely damaged one CR-42 aircraft.

R.A.F. bombers also attacked targets at Eleusis, Greece, and on the island of Crete causing fires. All aircraft returned safely.

Peru - Ecuador Clash: Reconciliation Moves

WASHINGTON, July 9 (Reuter).—The United States, Argentina and Brazil have asked Peru and Ecuador to establish a No Man's Land on both sides of a line known as the Status Quo line in the territory disputed by the two nations.

Mr Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State, at a press conference to-day announced that after the envoys of the three nations had made the foregoing recommendation to Peru and Ecuador, the three governments also informed the governments of all the other American republics and asked them to give their support towards ending the conflict.

Under the proposals, the governments of Peru and Ecuador would withdraw their military forces 15

kilometres from each side of the "Status Quo Line," establishing a neutral zone 30 kilometres in depth between now and an armistice.

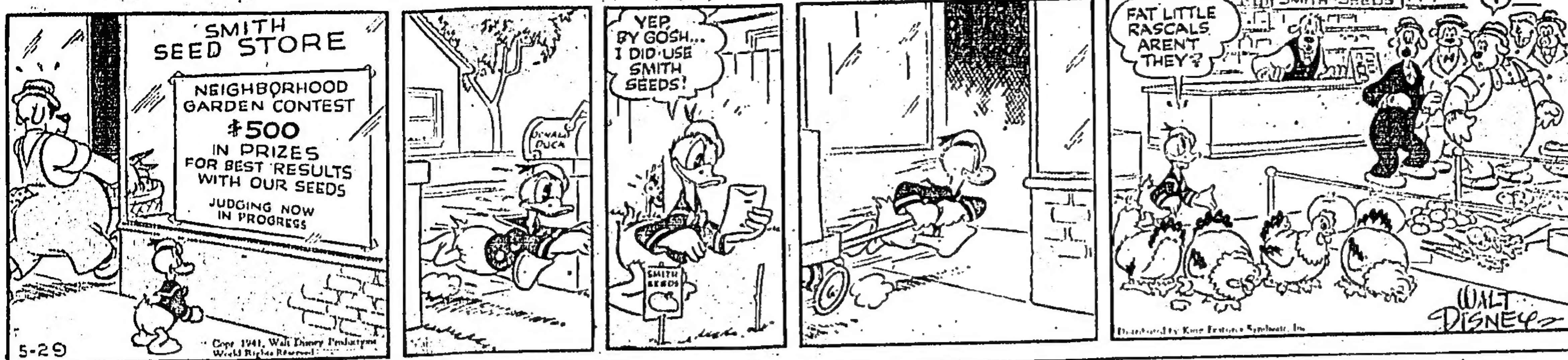
Both governments are requested to prevent their planes from passing over the neutral zone.

Pan-American Efforts

WASHINGTON, July 9 (Reuter).—Mr Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State, informed journalists that the governments of Argentina, Brazil and United States had sent a circular telegram to their representatives in all other American republics, instructing them to seek interviews

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By JOSEPHINE CULBERTSON

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A LIGHT opening bid is not nearly so dangerous as a questionable overcall. At match-point duplicate, particularly, a third-hand bidder is apt to take all sorts of liberties, opening on as little as 1½ honour-tricks. This does not mean, however, that fourth hand can overcall with impunity. The opener's partner, though he passed originally, is still to be reckoned with. Note to-day's hand.

Match-point duplicate.
West dealer.
North-South vulnerable;

♠ K 10 4
♥ K 8 5
♦ Q J 7 4
♣ 10 3

♠ Q 7 5 2
♥ A 6 3 2
♦ K 10 9 2
♣ J

The bidding: East South
Pass Pass 1♣ 2♣
Dbl. Pass Pass Pass

Perhaps it is superfluous to point out that East's diamond bid was more psychic than honest. South's overcall, vulnerable, had no alibi whatsoever; it was just a poor bid. As to East's leave-in of the penalty double, either his courage or his optimism was very high. It must be admitted, however, that he would have had to look hard for a safe takeout.

After West had opened the diamond ace and seen dummy, a diamond continuation seemed unattractive, particularly since East

had played the deuce. West correctly shifted to his top heart. Declarer won and laid down the club ace; then, when the jack fell, led a low club to dummy's ten, and then, with no convenient egress from the dummy, declarer played the diamond queen. East won and returned another diamond.

West ruffed with the club six and, without perceptible hesitation, undeplayed the spade ace. Declarer, who had carefully noted that to date East had shown only the diamond king and heart ace, hardly could fail to guess wrong at this point. He let the lead ride to his own jack. East put up the queen and returned the thirteenth heart. Declarer, seeing what was coming, threw his losing spade, but this did not avail because East then played his last diamond, thus assuring West of a trump trick.

Excellent defence — specifically West's underlead of the spade ace — had compensated for East's semi-psychic opening bid.

To-morrow's Hand.

North dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

♠ A Q
♥ K 5 3
♦ A 10 7 4 2
♣ 8 6

♠ J 5 4
♥ 8 6
♦ J 9 8 5 3
♣ A K 7

How should East-West defend against South's six heart contract?

Crossword Puzzle

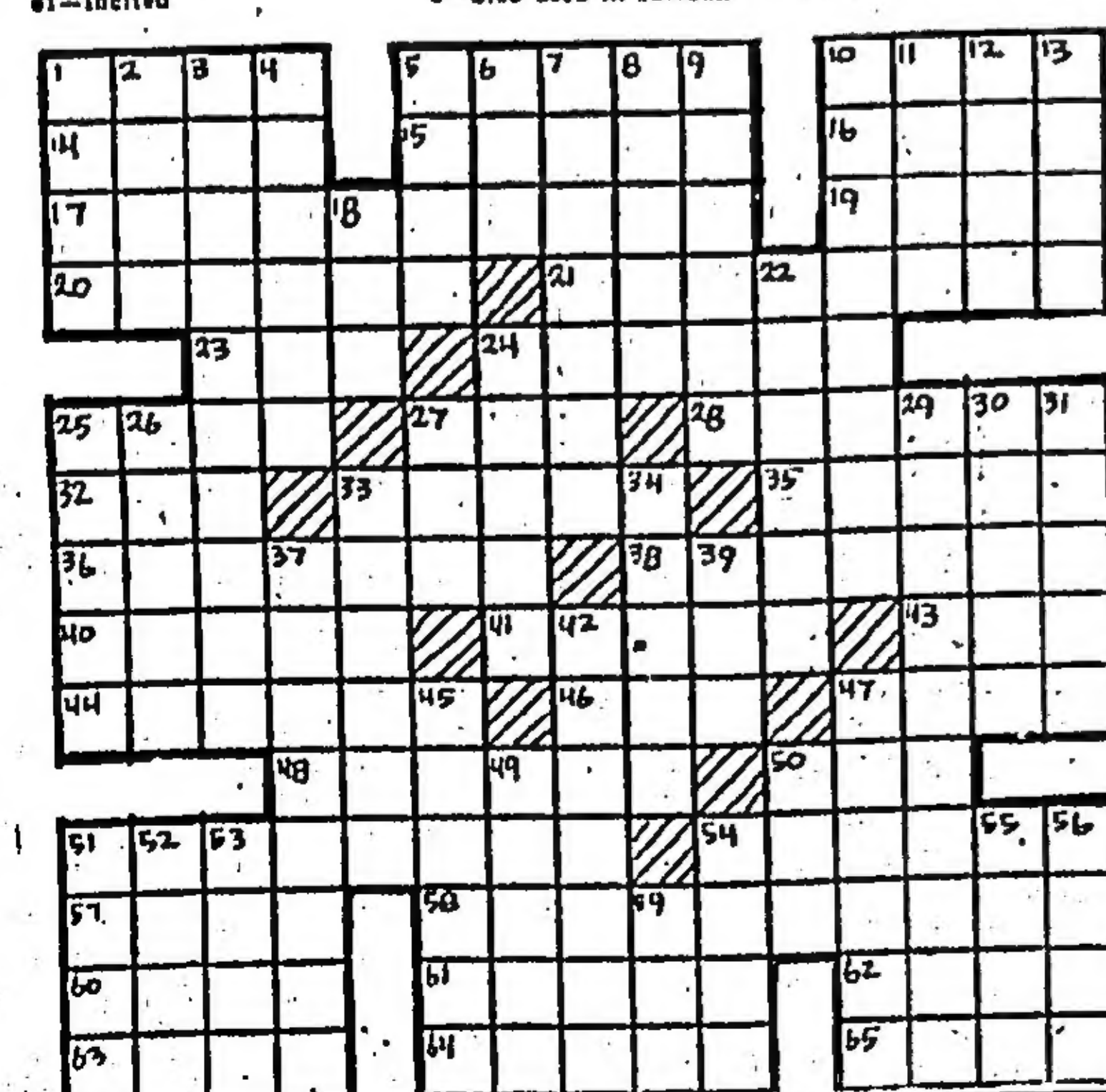
By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

1—Floating mass of ice
5—Discomfort
10—Course sailed
14—State positively
15—Philippine canoe
16—Natalist
17—Extensive change
18—In government
19—Resolute front
20—Honorary rank
21—Similes
22—Coast line
23—Incite to one side
24—Ruled on bench
25—Rope
26—Rope in Poland
27—Centers
28—Dangerous situation
29—Musical instrument
30—Control motion of
31—Overthrow
32—Trotting to check
33—River in England
34—Look for signs
35—Large vessel
36—Vessel that sails
37—Joy of sheep
38—Singer
39—Pulpit
40—Opening vessel
41—In poker
42—Entertainment
43—Precipitation
44—Incited

DOWN

1—Puts life into
2—Clean, abrasive substance
3—Sharp piece of
4—Solid ice
5—Cold World War
6—State of disorder
7—Times score 57
8—Allow
9—More profound
10—State of mind
11—Turbulent unit of money
12—Turbulent, as light
13—Shoulder
14—Ceremonies
15—Nature of rain
16—Snow
17—Hill plateau
18—(French)
19—Pertaining to sun
20—New moon
21—Man's nickname
22—Made with plate
23—Medieval fortress
24—Big
25—South American
26—South
27—Bold refusal of
28—North American
29—North
30—Agiato
31—Madness
32—Bounce
33—Termites
34—Foundation



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SHE NEVER SMILED FOR FIVE YEARS

By SYLVIA PANKHURST

Sylvia Pankhurst, former Suffragist leader and now active worker for the cause of Abyssinian freedom, has just interviewed the Empress of Abyssinia. In this interview the Empress disclosed for the first time her plans to return home. Sylvia Pankhurst has been an intimate friend of the Empress for five years, and is the editor of "New Times and Ethiopia News."

FOR FIVE YEARS THE EMPRESS OF ETHIOPIA NEVER SMILED. Gracious and gentle, never abandoning faith in her country's ultimate liberation, she has had the agony of her people under Mussolini's rule always present to her mind.

When she went to London from her home in Bath after the great news of Ethiopian successes and the falling fortunes of the Fascist invaders, one would scarcely have recognised her. One saw her now as she was in her own capital—vivacious, strong, with sparkling eyes and ready smiles, the varied expressions of her eager thoughts succeeding rapidly—a very gallant lady.

In her exiled home in Bath she has hoped and planned for the return to Ethiopia all these five years.

She insisted that her children and grandchildren in exile with her should study unceasingly to fit themselves for the great part of leaders in the development of their native country. The Crown Prince studied with a tutor, and afterwards at Liverpool University; the Duke of Harrar at Wellington College; the Princess Tsahai, following her own ardent desire, became a nurse at the Children's Hospital, Great Ormond Street, and, after qualifying as a State Registered nurse, went to Guy's for further experience.

GALLANT CHIEF

EVEN THE ELDER DAUGHTER of the Empress, the widowed Princess Tanagne, has been working to equip herself for future responsibilities. She is the widow of Ras Desta, who continued to fight the Italians among the forests of Sidamo for two years after the Emperor had started on his historic mission to Europe, which has resulted in Ethiopia's alliance with Britain to fight the Axis, and his triumphant return to his country.

Ras Desta was finally captured by the soldiers of Mussolini, and instead of receiving the honours due to a prisoner of war, was shot and decapitated, his head being carried round as a sign of Italian vengeance. The murder of this magnificent son-in-law, who was an ardent co-operator in the great social reforms of the Emperor and Empress, and a most able and generous man, is one of the deep sorrows which have fallen upon the Imperial family and the people of Ethiopia.

RAS DESTA'S DAUGHTER AND SONS, with the Empress's youngest boy, are also at school, popular with their companions there and notable in their sports. Their home life is simple and sensible, much like that of English children, and their English governess proudly told me of their efficient wartime help in "digging for victory" in the big garden, which supplies all the household needs in fruit and vegetables.

The Empress, like the Emperor, regards the cause of Ethiopia as part of the cause of world freedom against the Axis, and they have both given many valuable and rare Ethiopian treasures to the British Red Cross.

MUCH TO BE DONE

"And when I am home again," she said with radiant happiness, "how much I shall have to do! My school for girls—they have made a barracks of it; but it will be reopened as soon as I return."

The Mennen Lyceum of which she spoke the first Ethiopian high school for girls, on modern European lines, was a cherished work of the Empress. She wanted to start it when the Emperor was regent and the Empress Zauditu was on the throne. The Empress Zauditu, daughter of the Emperor Menelik II, occupied the throne with the Emperor Haile Selassie, then Ras Makonnen, as Regent. But, steeped in the old traditions, Zauditu considered such innovations unnecessary. She thought the old style schools quite sufficient.

When Empress Mennen came to the throne the high school was her first project. A distinguished Frenchwoman was selected as headmistress, and most of her assistants were French or British. The curriculum was the same as that of a good boys' grammar school, with gymnastics and sports, music, painting, and also domestic science. Modern languages were a strong point. The school was an instant success. It started with 100 boarders, and many more day pupils. The little dark girls in their "gym" tunics vaulted and leapt and climbed with all the vim and go of British or American girls.

"The child marriage is the worst of African customs," the Empress told me. "My advice has been: keep your

girls at school and do not let them marry till they are 18 at the very earliest."

HOSPITAL WORK

THE EMPRESS was active in the work of the hospitals especially that for maternity, the mothers' and babies' welfare centres, and clinics which she helped to found in Ethiopia.

When all the progressive work in which she took so zealous a share was broken off short by Mussolini's outrageous and unprovoked aggression the Empress Mennen showed her courage and her quality. She called together the women of the capital, and urged them to join in patriotic effort first, of which she herself was president, undertook to assist the provisioning of the army.

Under its auspices hundreds of women of all ranks met at the palace daily, seasoning meat with salt and pepper and other condiments, and drying it in the hot African sun. According to Ethiopian custom, they baked a sort of hard bread of many nourishing ingredients mixed with butter and made into small cakes, sometimes no larger than a bean and so light that a soldier could carry on his back, together with his other equipment, sufficient to feed him for a month with only water in addition. Some of this bread was ground into powder and put in sacks, to be eaten dry, or mixed with water, and cooked in various ways.

Under the presidency of the Princess Tanagne, another organisation of women made gas masks which covered the face and which were coloured dark brown, not to show out to the enemy. They were beautifully made. The European doctors praised the skilful work, but the deadly yperite which the Italians sprayed from their planes on men, women, and children, flocks and crops, was used on too large a scale, and was of too destructive a character, for their amateur gas masks to cope with it. The yperite burnt the clothes, the hair, the very skin; it left only a painful cavity where once were eyes.

HIGH HOPES

ALL THAT THE EMPRESS SAW AS she visited gas sufferers in the hospitals. Such sad memories will never leave her, but to-day hope and impatience for the great return overwhelm all other feelings.

"My plans? To return home; to open again the schools and the hospitals, which the invaders have diverted to other uses; to continue my work which was only beginning; to open other high schools for the girls in all the towns; to wipe out illiteracy, to establish efficient care of maternity and infancy, on the lines we had begun in the capital, throughout the country."

The Italian occupation will have left behind many sad problems, with which the Empress and her people will have to cope; women widowed, children orphaned, families scattered, property destroyed. Farms have been laid waste, flocks and herds wantonly slaughtered; a great rebuilding will be required. The Empress will take a capable and courageous share in the work of reconstruction.

In expressing her great joy at the prospect of going home, the Empress gave her thanks to all the friends in Britain, Europe, and the United States who have helped to defend the cause of Ethiopia and justify her faith in the triumph of justice throughout the world is firm and bright.

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Health Bulletin

Sixteen cases of Cholera (three from Victoria, ten from Kowloon, two from Aberdeen and one from Shaohwan), one case each of Cerebro-spinal Meningitis and Chicken-pox, 14 of Dysentery, six of Typhoid, and 90 of Tuberculosis, were reported during the 48 hours ended on Tuesday. The Cholera cases to date total 1,021.

The weekly return shows the following infectious diseases: Five cases of Cerebro-spinal Meningitis with one death, 52 of Cholera with 21 deaths, four of Diphtheria with one death, 34 of Dysentery with 28 deaths, 19 of Typhoid with 14 deaths, one of Measles, and 208 of Tuberculosis with 170 deaths.

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SENSELESS ACTION

THE repeated Japanese bombing attacks on Chungking have lately been of increasing viciousness, and though the civilian population has not suffered more than usual, the so-called "safe" zone and the Embassy and foreign press quarter have been struck several times, injuries and damage being inflicted.

The British Embassy, and the foreign press hostel nearby, have always been outside the "safe" zone which is on the south bank of the river and comprises British and American business houses, the American and French Embassies and a Chinese residential area. The British Embassy is in the heart of the Chinese city and far from any military objective—a fact which would normally secure it against attack apart altogether from the large identification it wears and which has been repeatedly revealed to the Japanese in unmoistened low altitude flights round the buildings.

It is significant that Mr R. A. Butler, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said in reply to a question in the Commons that it was not thought worthwhile to protest again, since His Majesty's Government's views on the bombing of civilians were well known.

The unfortunate aspect of this admission seems to be that His Majesty's Government evidently does not think that its protest would carry the desired weight; that a further protest would enjoy no better reception in Tokyo than earlier notes in a similar vein. However, there is the danger that if no official cognisance is taken of the affair, a precedence is created which might lead to a sort of unofficial warfare. When Tokyo ignores the bad or good aiming of its bombers, according to whether that aim is deliberate or not, then it is tacitly approving those actions. Such a state of affairs leads to the undermining of confidence between Governments, often followed by "misunderstandings" and deliberate antagonism.

The fact that Britain and America are assisting China has nothing to do with the constant bombing of the British Embassy at Chungking and does not excuse such wanton acts in the smallest degree. Ours is a stated and official policy and we would not stoop to such underhand aggravation of an already tense situation as "accidental" bombing. If the Japanese Air Force are really so bad that Tokyo must apologise for their inaccuracy, then that is one more reason why Japan should not seek more enemies. If, on the other hand, their aim is deliberate, then Japan does infinite harm

It cannot be denied that the worship men bestow upon money is one of the fundamental causes of war, and if we are to erect a saner world we shall have to break down this false god.

THE GOD WE WORSHIP

By the Rev.

W. ROWLAND JONES

Vicar of Denton, Manchester

WE worship to-day not God but Gold.

The temples of this false god are erected at innumerable street corners. He claims the most desirable sites.

Houses for the workers cannot be erected, homes for the aged cannot be built, but these rich temples for the god we worship never cease to spring up.

He is a god who thrives on sacrifice. Best of all, he likes human sacrifice. Wars are fought at his behest.

When he speaks the armies march and the squadrons fly; upon their tribute to him their very strength depends.

He is a ruthless god, and a fickle one. He will raise men to great dignity, and then, by a turn of his merciless wheel, he will cast them off, and trample them in the mire.

Yet they go on worshipping him.

He has his own High Priests, who speak mystic words in his praise. "If you are not initiated," they tell us, "you will not understand. The rites and the ritual are not for the common herd. It is beyond their comprehension—how dare they presume to know? That is our province!"

The Churches, who pretend to worship the true God, are slaves to this false god, who is known by many names, though his chief votaries usually call him High Finance.

His millions of worshippers are less reverend, and prefer more homely names. In my part of the country they call this honoured deity by the familiar title, "Brass!"

The Gold God

Jesus spoke always of Mammon, and He said that it was impossible to be a worshipper of Mammon, and, at the same time, a worshipper of God.

You can't serve God and Gold.

But the followers of Jesus have never quite learnt that lesson. I used to attend Church Conferences at one time, but we heard so much about money and so little about men's souls, so much of Mammon and so little of Christ, that I decided to give up attending.

I still have letters from the Diocese about it. Every one of the letters asks for more and more money.

I find that the Church of England is a very wealthy Church. Its money comes from ground rents on public houses, race-courses, dog-tracks, and from much poor property.

The money is not refused, although the Bishops and clergy have so much to say about gambling and drinking.

This absorption with money has turned the Church of England into a vast money-raising institution which provides economic security for a huge army of clerks, secretaries, typists and lawyers, to say nothing of clerical officials.

to her own integrity. Incidents of this kind simply strengthen the bonds between Britain and China.

It is ironical that pamphlets, urging that immediate peace between China and Japan would lead to peace throughout all Asia, were dropped with the bombs. That is another subterfuge that could well be dispensed with.

Never before did actions speak so much louder than words.



I do not think that Jesus meant His followers to maintain an organisation like that, and to call it by His sacred name.

The snare of money enslaves the Church. Our devotion to this yellow god we worship is shown in our common speech.

"What did you make?" asked a man in the market-place. He did not mean, "What service did you give to humanity?" He meant, "How much more money were you able to bank?"

A mourning party stood outside my church. "How much did he leave?" asked a bystander. He did not inquire how much he left of real value for the benefit of mankind. He was simply talking about the god men worship—money.

A man on the bus said in my hearing, "If this war ends too soon our firm will go bankrupt." That seemed to him sufficient reason for continuing the war.

It cannot be denied that the worship men bestow upon money is one of the fundamental causes of war, and if we are going to erect a saner world where men can live in security and happiness, and where nations shall not live in constant fear of war, we shall have to break down the alters of this false god, Mammon.

The biggest obstacle will be found in the common idea that finance is a complicated and mysterious thing which only the brains of high financiers can fathom.

Men always prefer to worship a god who is surrounded by mystery, and that is the reason why those who find personal gain by men's slavery to Mammon instil in our minds how intricate and complicated are the rules which govern our monetary system.

The only purpose I can see in money is as a means to enable inhabitants of a country to buy all they wish of what they make and import.

High Finance

It therefore seems obvious that the total amount of money should bear a direct relationship to produce and goods.

It also seems obvious to me that every man, woman and child in a country should have sufficient money to provide them with the necessities of life, and a little over for recreation.

The high financier, of course, will shake his head wisely, and say something which really means, "You poor mutt! Do you really think that is possible? It's far more complicated than that."

It may or may not be, but emphatically I say this: The lives of thousands of my fellow countrymen are turned into misery and struggle and wretchedness in the ceaseless, soul-destroying effort to make reluctant ends meet.

Women's lives are turned into an agony-trying to pay the family budget on too small an allowance.

I cannot get them to take an interest in God because they are perpetually harassed by short-

God has given in profusion for their use.

Then I read of a city council spending £7 to provide lunch for ten men.

I know it is not only unchristian but morally wrong, and in the name of Christ, who told us that a man's worth did not consist in the money he possessed, I say to our Government and our high financiers:—

"I may not be able to understand your mysterious monetary system, but I know that it is unchristian because it turns men's lives into slavery and plunges the world perpetually into war."

"You've got to find a new system which shall make money no longer our master, but our servant."

"You've got to find a system which shall provide every one of God's children with sufficient money for life, so that he will never have to think of money again."

"It is best forgotten because there are so many more important thoughts to hold in life."

I have also a deep suspicion that our money muddles have very largely arisen through the very questionable and dangerous practice of charging interest on money.

"I Am Right"

There was a time when the Church held that usury was wrong. As in so many other things, the Church surrendered its judgment through the pressure of the world.

Men no longer think it is wrong to charge interest on money. Consequently I am staggered to discover that out of 8s. 6d. charged as Income Tax, 8s. goes to interest and debt charges with only 6d. available for State services.

No doubt High Finance will be able to explain that away in the interest of the god it worships and serves.

The measure of our worship of this false god Mammon was never so clearly revealed as in the poster which is being used to boost our War Savings Weeks: "Men are giving their lives; will you not lend your money?"

When we want men's lives for war we do not hesitate to take them.

When we want men's money, we borrow it, if they are prepared to lend—and even for that privilege we are prepared to pay them.

Yes, I am sure I am right! Mammon is the god we worship.

DRESS AND GOSSIP

THE GENERAL MANAGER of the Glasgow Corporation Transport Department has issued to the women conductors on his undertaking a leaflet which purports to give advice to these ladies on the daring subject of dress and deportment. We have no doubt that the instruction given is necessary if efficiency is to be kept up to a reasonably high average, but it is unfortunate that such efficiency should have to be attained at the expense of two of women's most highly-prized attributes, the expression of their personality by those individual touches to their attire which require no patent rights because they can never be duplicated, and that friendly gossip in which it is the inalienable right of women to indulge.

If we have not completely dissipated the learning which was forced upon our unwilling minds many years ago we might quote the Latin poet Ovid, who knew a great deal about the psychology of dress. "Pars Minima est ipsa puella sui," said that Roman expert, and the broad translation that "a girl is the least part of herself," while owing a great deal to poetic licence, has sufficient truth left in it to be worth remembering even in these regimented and materialistic days.

The uniformed ladies on the Glasgow vehicles may all conform to the dicta which insists that the hat must be worn forward on the brow, that the shape of the hat must not be altered; that the hair must be dressed to clear the coat collar; but even within the narrow limits left to them personally and for dress effects will make themselves felt, and we pity the poor male who will be called upon to give judgment when any of the conductresses are "on the mat" for breaches of the dress regulations. He will require the wisdom of Solomon and the dress sense of a Piquin.

BUT MOST OF ALL do we regret the admonishment to the ladies not to gossip with passengers. Who among us has not had the pleasant experience of having a journey shortened by the jocularity of a conductor, or by listening in to his comments on events which may be convulsing either his immediate world or the greater world beyond?

The irrepressibility of the Cockney bus conductor is a byword; he actually brought the already bright life of the Metropolis in those far-off days when there was light, and even now his merry gossip is sometimes the only light thing on a darkened journey. How much more then could we enjoy the prattle of a Scots lassie over the weary stretch, say, from Parkhead to Shettleston?

IF NIGHTINGALES ARE PERMITTED in Berkeley Square surely Mr R. F. Smith will not insist on silence in Saundwell Street. We sympathise with him on the necessity of having to make rule on the dress and deportment of his women conductors, but may we plead on their behalf, and perhaps also on behalf of the more human of the passengers for whom he caters, that the rules be interpreted with a liberality through which personality may toss its dainty little head. From "Passenger Transportation Journal."

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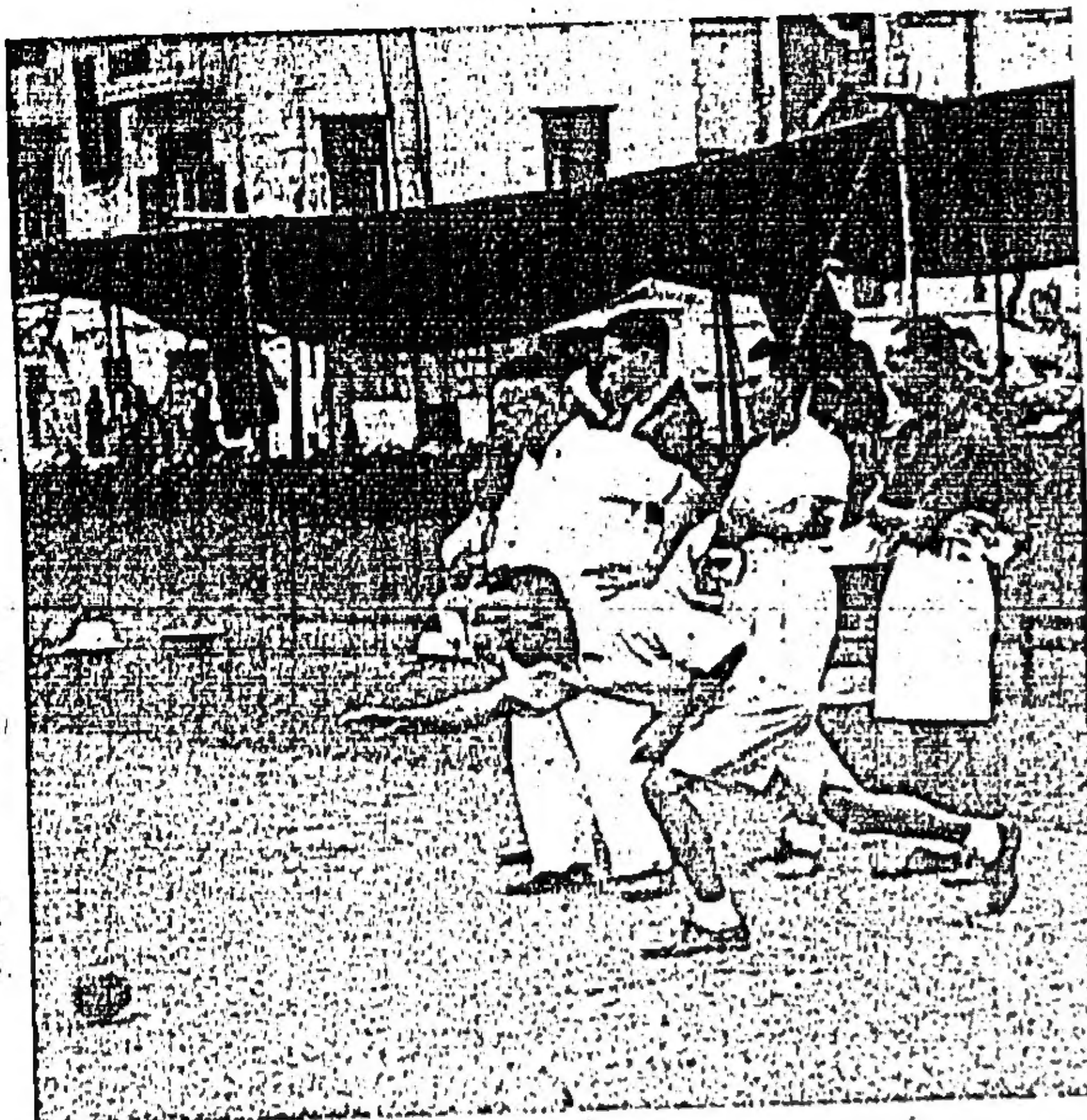
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"WICK'S" BOWLS NOTES

Craigengower Should Regain League Title

Recreio "A" Beaten By Surprising Margin: Set-Back For Indian R.C.

HOME TEAMS had a field day in the Lawn Bowls League last week. Without exception, visiting teams were on the losing side, the most notable result being the 5-0 victory scored by Craigengower C.C. over the champions, Recreio "A".



Though C. E. Marques (bowling) is in the same rink, L. C. R. Sousa (C.C.C.), J. W. Leonard (C.C.C.), J. A. Luz (Recreio "A") and J. F. V. Ribeiro (Recreio) seem to find greater interest in the happenings on the rink next door.

Ming Yuen.

Annual F.A. Meeting Approves New Rules

Maximum Admission Charges

EXCEPT FOR ALTERATION to the period of time to be allowed returned touring teams before filing a statement of accounts, the important proposals of the F. A. Council, which were submitted to the annual general meeting of members last night, were passed without opposition.

It was also decided that future maximum admission charges to any match would be \$2.

Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, President, was in the chair, supported by Hon. Mr. K. Lo, Cmdr. Millet and Mr. W. Pryde (Vice-Presidents).

Reviewing the year, the President said the net profit of \$4,431.59 is highly satisfactory.

It was a matter of regret that owing to the political situation in Hong Kong, it was unable to come for the annual inter-port.

The financial results of charity matches have been fully set out in the report and it was noted that, through the instrumentality of such matches, \$20,274.48 has been donated to charities.

New Officers

The following officers were elected: President, Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith; Vice-President (Civilian), Mr. W. Pryde; Vice-President (Chinese), Hon. Mr. K. Lo; Vice-President (Sports), Col. A. A. Newnam; Chairman of Council, Mr. Wong Ka-tsun; Representative of Second and Third Divisions, Mr. C. Gungnam.

Touring Finances

Referring to the rule which required that clubs making tours, must submit a financial statement within 14 days of their return, Mr. W. E. Hollands suggested that the period be extended to two months. He said a team on tour generally left the day after the last match and consequently it was impossible to file a financial statement within 14 days as it had to await the returns of that game.

Mr. Mok Hing supported Mr. Hollands, saying a team might have to wait even more than two months. Mr. Lo suggested that the period be extended to 20 days, subject to extension by the Council. This was approved.

Team Strength

Concerning the rule which required clubs to play full strength, Mr. J. McKelvie observed that the matter was entirely up to the clubs and had nothing to do with the Association. Mr. Mok expressed the view that as only amateur football was played it was up to the players to appear. Mr. Wong Ka-tsun said the rule was followed by amateur clubs in England.

Mr. J. Skinner pointed out that although players were taken and therefore it was only fair to the public that a club should be at full strength.

Mr. Lo suggested that the wording be changed in order to give the Council the right to call upon any club for an explanation as to why the full team was not played. The rule, as it stood, he said, placed rather too big a burden on clubs. Mr. Pryde pointed out that the Council would call for an explanation only if they had very good reason.

Mr. W. Glover proposed that the rule, as it stood, be put to the vote. This was agreed to.

Cmdr. Millet pointed out the position of the Navy, saying it was sometimes very difficult for them to play a full team and that under the rule they would have to give an explanation. He was assured by the President that no explanation would be called for in their case.

Maximum Admission Fee

In connection with the rule fixing the maximum charge for admission at \$1, Mr. Skinner suggested that this be

Programme For Inter-Departmental Gala To-morrow

The Government Inter-Departmental Swimming Gala, which was postponed from last Monday, will be held to-morrow night in the European Y.M.C.A. Swimming pool, with post entries, commencing at 8 p.m.

The following is the programme: Plain Diving: 50 yards free-style; 80 yards free-style for Government women; 100 yards medley relay (teams of four); backstroke, side and free; Veterans (40 and over) 50 yards free-style; 50 yards backstroke; Hospital Sisters 100 yards free-style relay (teams of four); 25 yards each, open to Queen Mary Hospital, Kowloon Hospital, and Stanley Y.M.C.A.; 50 yards breaststroke; Water-polo (European Y.M.C.A. v. Government); 25 yards free-style; 25 yards relay (Combined Government, Combined Services "A", Combined Services "B", Combined Hong and European Y.M.C.A.); 25 yards "A"; 50 yards Doctors' race; Novelties (Nightmare and candle race); Inter-Departmental 100 yards free-style relay (teams of six).

Gala Postponed

The swimming gala scheduled for the Chinese Bathing Club last night to select a team to meet Victoria Recreation Club was postponed to July 13 at 3 p.m.

Another gala will be held on July 19 at 7 p.m.

raised to \$2. He said a cheaper price would attract too big a crowd with resultant damage to the stands.

The suggestion was opposed by Capt. R. E. Guest, who said the public should not be exploited.

At the moment, there was no fixed maximum and any club could charge whatever it liked for a good match. This was hardly fair to the public in general and service-men in particular.

Lieut. Cmdr. G. S. Hugh-Jones observed that the question of gate money was entirely a matter of business for the clubs concerned. They were the best judges for the happy medium.

Capt. Guest proposed that the maximum charge be fixed at \$2 and service-men be charged \$1.

Mr. Skinner said it would be better to leave the question of charging service-men to the clubs because they had always given them a fair deal.

Mr. Pryde had spoken in similar vein. Capt. Guest withdrew his proposal, and the rule was passed with the maximum charge fixed at \$2 instead of \$1.

The rule relating to the maximum charge for admission to Shield matches was also amended to \$2 instead of \$1.

Mr. McKelvie raised the question of the use of grounds and appealed to the clubs to stop bargaining for terms for their use.

League Tennis

C.R.C. Defeat University 5-4 In "C" Division

THREE of the five league tennis matches in the "C" Division were played yesterday, the K. Indians-Kowloon C.C. and Craigengower-Recreio games being postponed.

Chinese Recreation Club scored another victory, narrowly beating the University by 5-4, while South China also forged ahead with a 5½-3½ win over the Army.

T. C. Lo and P. Lui were the only University pair that gained any measure of success against the Chinese R.C. winning two of their matches and drawing the other.

K. I. Chan and H. N. Wong contributed largely to South China's win over the Army, winning as they did all three of their games.

Scores were:

I.R.C. 3, K. Tong 6

Indians lost to Kowloon Tong 3-6.

A. Rahman and I. Kitchell lost to D. Chen and A. H. Basto 2-6; lost to L. Chen and E. Pun 4-6; beat D. Kwok and H. L. Huang 6-2.

P. Madar and A. J. Sufiad lost to Chen and Basto 1-6; beat Chen and Pun 7-5; lost to Kwok and Huang 2-6.

M. Hassan and A. R. H. Small lost to Chen and Basto 2-6; beat Chen and Pun 6-1; lost to Kwok and Huang 2-6.

H.K.U. 4, C.R.C. 5

University lost to C.R.C. 4-5.

G. K. Hoo and K. Y. Tam lost to H. N. Chan and T. F. Lo 2-6; lost to C. Wei and H. Chung 5-7; beat M. C. Tung and C. K. Lee 6-2.

P. Lui and P. Lui beat Chau and Lo 6-2; beat Wei and Chung 6-4; tied with Tung and Lee 6-6.

F. L. Young and C. F. Loka lost to Chung and Lee 6-2; lost to Wei and Chung 2-6; tied with Tung and Lee 6-6.

S.C.A.A. 5½, Army 3½

South China beat Army 5½-3½.

K. I. Chan and H. N. Wong beat Emberson and Duffield 6-1; beat Webb and Denyer 6-2; beat Nelson and Murray 7-5; beat K. C. Wan lost to Emberson and Duffield 4-6; drew with Webb and Denyer 6-6; beat Nelson and Murray 6-2.

H. C. Kwok and K. Sung lost to Emberson and Duffield 4-6; beat Webb and Denyer 7-5; lost to Nelson and Murray 3-6.

Biggest Defeat In Years

Though I had expected the Valley team to win, I did not think that they would do it with a margin of 27 shots or that they would be up on all three rinks. It was the biggest thrashing Recreio "A" had had in many years.

With this victory, Craigengower C.C. are set for the championship which they last won in 1936. Already they are one point ahead of Recreio "A" with two matches in hand—a very strong position indeed.

The start of this match gave no indication of its eventual one-sidedness. R. F. Luz, drawn against C. S. Roselle, ran away with a lead of nine shots and as there was very little in it in the other, two rink games, a fairly even tussle seemed likely.

But a complete metamorphosis came over the game when Roselle's rink scored 24 shots without reply from Luz and turned a 0-9 deficit into a 24-9 lead.

U. M. Omar also ran away from "Spuggy" Silva, thanks to steady play by his front men, of whom the younger Omars were especially good.

An Even Fight

On the third rink, there was an even fight between B. W. Bradbury and Carlos Silva. The latter returned to the team specially for this all-important game and despite his lack of practice, he revealed flashes of his old form although he was not altogether at his best.

The final score on this rink was 24-10, but it might have been much closer. When the last head was played, Bradbury was leading 20-10. Joe Luz sent down two beautiful woods and C. E. Marques added another. But A. E. Coates, Bradbury's No. 3, rested on the bench for the shot.

Johnny Ribeiro and Carlos Silva both had bad luck in their attempts to take this out, and in the end they had to concede four shots on this head as the result of taking out three second shots one after another!

Chief credit in Craigengower's victory must go to Roselle's rink for their splendid recovery. After a shaky start, all four played well to a man. L. Gaddi, promoted for this match, deserves special men-

tion for his great consistency. U. M. Omar conceded a seven against "Spuggy" Silva when leading 28-11, but the Valley players were in no danger of defeat then. Still, it was the first time in many, many years that the champion had given away such a count in a League match.

ON the adjoining green, the Police continued their winning streak with a fine victory over the Indians. True, Jack Shepherd's hitherto unbeaten rink bowed to A. R. Dallah's by nine shots, but Wally Mair and Jock Fender saw the side through by beating A. K. Minu and M. R. Abbas respectively.

Shepherd's men were always up against it against Dallah's four, who were playing at the top of their form. The Indian rink were three shots to the good at tea time but a five and six on two heads gave them a substantial lead which they maintained to the end.

Wally Mair was always ahead of Minu, while Fender, after being 16-10 on the 17th head with Abbas, ran away in the last few heads to win by six shots.

In the last head of the day—between Shepherd and Dallah—the Indians were one shot down. Harris drew a lovely wood and Dall sealed the Indians' fate by drawing two more.

A. H. Runjahn, Dallah's No. 3, who had been playing splendidly throughout the afternoon, failed to alter the position, and Dallah was twice narrow, leaving the Police with three shots on this head and victory by four shots in all.

The return of J. Forrest, J. Orem and J. C. Fender to the team has strengthened the Police considerably. All three were fairly steady on Saturday, and a little more practice will probably weld them into a formidable rink as they have E. G. Post playing No. 1.

THE new Kowloon C.C. combinations are working well. They followed up their victory over the Indians the week before by trouncing the Civil Servants on Saturday by two rinks to one, Tommy Madar's being the only one to lose.

"Teddy" Fincher, after breaking his "duck" the previous week, scored another win, this time at the expense of E. W. Simmonds, and N. J. Bebbington continued his good work as skip by beating J. J. MacGowan. M. N. Rakusen, the singles champion, was given adequate support by his men and had a seven-shot win.

AS to be expected, Kowloon B.G.C. "A" had no difficulty against Kowloon Docks and picked up five valuable points.

The "B" team, which visited Recreio "B", however, were beaten by two rinks to one.

F. A. Beckham, skipping a rink in the First Division for the first time, did well against C. M. Silva, who was also piloting a rink for the first time. The K.B.G.C. men won by 22-11, thus giving his side one point.

IN the Second Division, Craigengower C.C. lost valuable ground in the race for championship honours as the result of their 5-0 defeat by Prison Officers' Club at Stanley. It was a bad day for them as even Tommy Lock, who has been doing so well of late, also lost.

Kowloon Tong made amends for their previous week's lapse by taking four points from Kowloon C.C. and are in a sound position.

IN the Third Division, the leading teams won, but while Kowloon B.G.C. scored a clean sweep against Craigengower, the Indians only managed to win on one rink and tie in another, and were somewhat fortunate to win the aggregate points by one shot.

The K.B.G.C. are 2½ points ahead of the Indians from the same number of matches played, and the return game between the two sides will go a long way towards deciding the championship in this division.

RAIN has been the bug-bear of the Open Championships to date. Last Sunday's matches in the Rinks were of course washed out, and the Paira, which are still in the first-round stage, have made very little progress.

Those who have yet to play off their matches should avail themselves of the first dry day to have them played.

Efforts To Revive British Lawn Tennis Exhibitions And Tours

LONDON (UP).—Efforts are being made to put some life in British lawn tennis, which has been badly affected by the war.

QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT SCORES FOR P.G.A.

LOS ANGELES, July 9 (Reuter).—The qualifying round for the first round of the Professional Golf Association's match play tournament was played at Denver, Colorado, to-day.

The first six of the 64 qualifiers are: Sam Snead 69, 69, 138; E. J. Harrison 69, 71, 139; Ben Hogan 71, 69, 140; Jim Demarest 72, 68, 140; Henry Hanoji 71, 69, 140; George Fazio 70, 70, 140.

Cycle Time Trial Arranged By Chinese "Y"

A bicycle time-trial, open to the Colony and under the auspices of the Chinese Y.M.C.A., was held at Tsun Wan yesterday.

Thirty-seven competitors were sent away at intervals of one minute and it was over an hour before the last cyclist left.

Miss Hung Shu-chu, the first competitor to be sent away, at 9.34 a.m., was the second to complete the course. Her time was 2 hrs 18 mins 55 secs, but this time is subject to a final check.

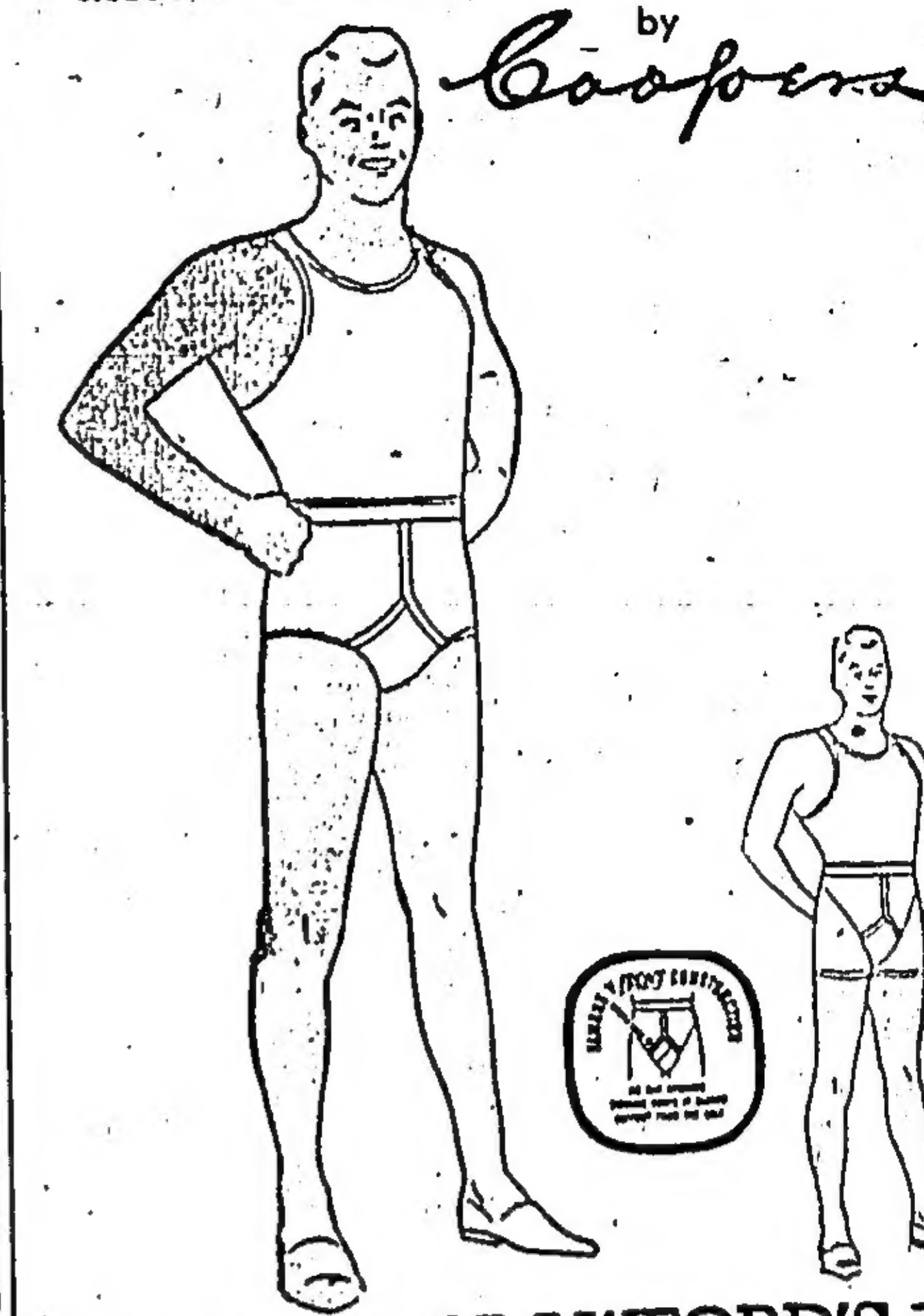
J. B. Sandberg, of La Salle College, who was second off the list, was the first to return and he took 39 mins 21 secs to cover the 25 miles course.

Results

The first 15 competitors to finish, with their starting and finishing times given in brackets, were: Miss Hung Shu-chu (0.34/1.52.55); A. J. B. Sandberg (0.36/1.57.21); Pun Shu-chung (0.37/1.59.20); Kwong Chak-chuen (0.38/1.59.45); Leung Kai-in (0.39/1.59.45); Kwan Wan (0.40/1.59.45); Yung Chung-kam (0.41/1.59.45); Lee Hing-ku (0.42/1.59.45); Chan Bin-yau (0.43/1.59.45); Chan Kam-chung (0.44/1.59.45); Kwan Fook-choon (0.45/1.59.45); Chan Fook-sing (0.46/1.59.45); Lau Kam-tok (0.47/1.59.45); Leung Yik-tung (0.48/1.59.45); Ip Wing-ku (0.49/1.59.45).

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"Indeed, Sir."
"Yes, Hawkins. Indeed! Indeed! Indeed! I suppose you think I ought to have a roaring headache and a taste in my mouth like cold dinner knives?"
"Well, Sir, now that you press me, you were out rather late last night."
"Of course I was. Didn't get back till three. But I drank nothing but 'Gimlets.'—And now I'm feeling as fit as one of those culinary what's-its-names."
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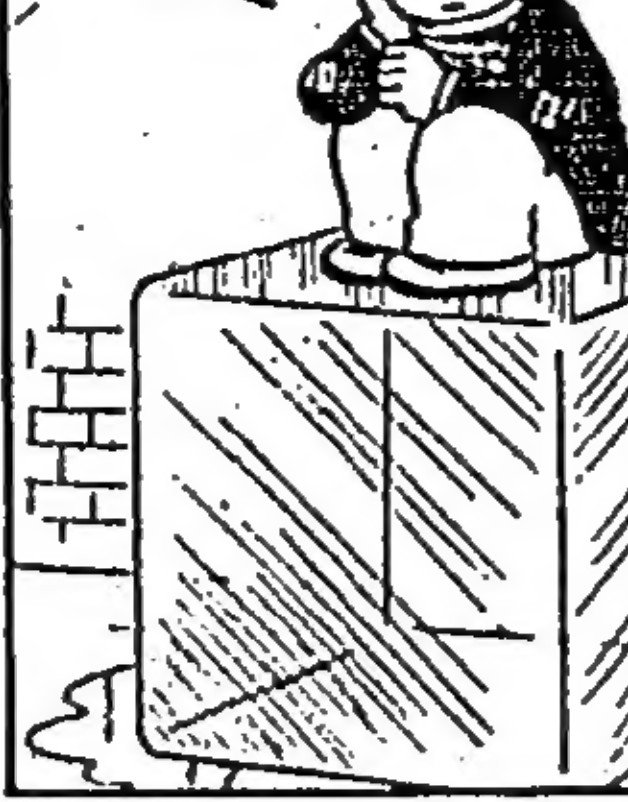
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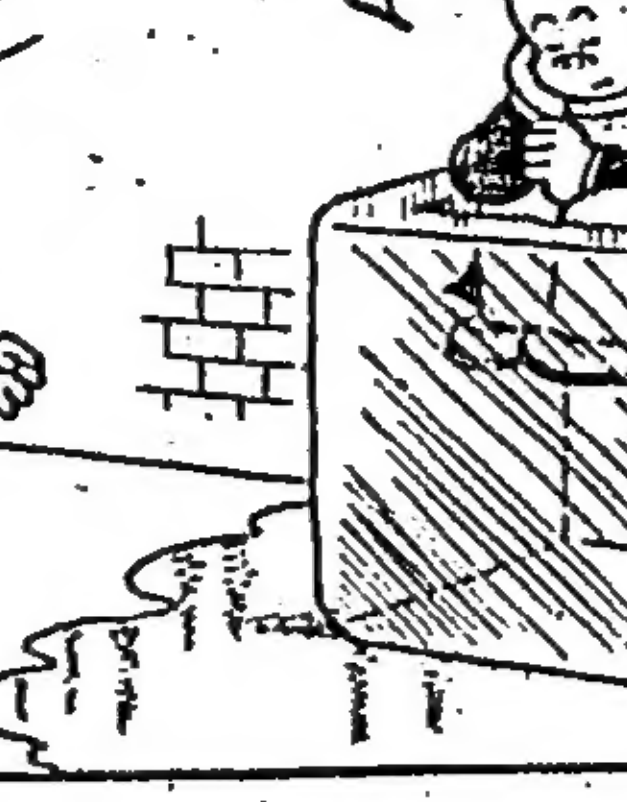
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BARMAIDS FAIL TO GET EXEMPTION Alcohol As A Pain-Killer

LONDON, July 8 (UP).—It is just as necessary to keep British beer glasses filled as to fill the nation's shells, pub owners contended to-day in attempting to gain exemption from the Ministry of Labour industrial call-up for their barmaids.

"The amenities provided at licensed houses do more to keep the people cheerful and confident than anything else," E. Sharp, Chairman of the North-west London Licensed Victuallers Association, declared. "The young women who wait behind the bars and at the lunch tables are doing real national service. They are bright and efficient in their attendance upon the public."

The Ministry of Labour, however, refused to see it that way. A spokesman commented: "Preserving cheerfulness is a peach of an argument—but somebody might ask whether old barmaids cannot fill the role just as cheerfully."

Analgesic Boost

The British medical journal "Lancet" gave an analgesic boost to the cup-that-cheers, confirming that as a pain-killer, ethyl alcohol has a greater effect than aspirin.

"This remarkable advantage of alcohol over aspirin... is worthy of note by pharmacologists, who, in the laboratory at any rate, have scarcely done justice to the virtues of a double whisky," the journal declared.

"The Lancet" added, however, that "aspirin may reasonably be regarded as the best universal analgesic that has yet been evolved."

Arthur Wheatland of Brondesbury came up with a new one at the Clerkenwell police court the other day after pleading guilty to a charge of driving while under the influence of liquor. He explained to the judge that a bartender gave him Irish whiskey instead of Scotch whiskey and that the difference in strengths threw him. His fine amounted to a little more than £12.

Italian Officers Executed

ITALIAN officers, court-martialed for inefficiency in the Albanian campaign, were executed by firing squads. This was learned from statements of Italian prisoners.

Some of the officers were said to have inflicted wounds on themselves so that they could be invalided home.

Trawlers' Golden Harvest

Demand For Fish Alters Value Of Catch

LONDON, July 8 (UP).—£19,000 for a single catch was realised by an Icelandic trawler skipper who unloaded a record 36,000 stone of fish at a British port recently.

A golden harvest has fallen to "Trawlertown," a fishing port "somewhere in England" and skippers and mates may earn more than Cabinet ministers.

Deck hands, the lowest paid members of a trawler's crew, are averaging £10 to £12 "all found" for a ten days' trip. Sometimes they make between £30 and £40.

£5 A Day

A trawler's mate in a court case recently was said to be earning £5 a day. Skippers and mates who do not make £20 a week are "not trying," as one fisherman put it.

The reason for this golden harvest is not that wages have increased, but that the demand for fish has enormously altered the value of their shares in the catch.

Dutch, Belgian, French, Danish, Norwegian and Iceland fishermen are all sharing in the golden harvest.

Wristlet Radio Set Tested

LONDON, July 8 (UP).—A wristlet radio broadcasting set to help rescuers to locate people trapped beneath wreckage is being tested by the Home Office in London.

Anyone wearing the instrument, which weighs six ounces and is three inches in diameter, can send out oscillations on a fixed wavelength by slight pressure on a celluloid strip.

The oscillations can be picked up on an ordinary portable radio set, and rescuers equipped with a direction coil will be able to locate the trapped person.

The radio wrist watch has been devised by a lieutenant in the Polish Army and I. Solor, an electrical engineer, of Dunfermline, Scotland.



NAZIS STRAFE IRELAND—Hitler's airmen, flying high over North Ireland, looted their bombs—and this is resultant scene, presumably in Belfast. Wing of hospital has been cleft from top to bottom.

"Lost Colony" of 2,000 U.S. Citizens in Britain

LONDON, July 8 (UP).—Demands for an American ship to sail to Britain and repatriate more than 2,000 persons of a "Lost Colony" of stranded United States citizens have been forwarded to Washington.

Lawrence L. Tweedy, President of the American Chamber of Commerce in London and head of the American Relief Society, said he and other United States businessmen have urged Washington officials to "let down the bars of the Neutrality Act" and provide a ship with which to return the "Lost Colony" home.

Among the more than 2,000 persons remaining in wartime Britain, Tweedy said, are 60 destitute American families hard hit by closing down of their businesses because of the war. The majority of the United States citizens want to return to America for the duration. Some of them are businessmen and their families who were unable to evacuate on the last United States ships to leave the country.

Many Applications

Tweedy said that every week the American Relief Society is dealing with new applications for help. Weekly payments are being made in cases of genuine hardship.

Tie-up of all transport facilities, difficulties of war travel of its nationals on belligerent ships have prevented these people from leaving Britain. Virtually the only way they could reach America would be through Lisbon—but thousands of applications are already on file for transportation to that city and even then Americans might find it illegal to attempt to reach Portugal by boat.

"These Americans maintain that they were not given time to join the Manhattan, the last United States ship to sail from Ireland. They had very brief notification," Tweedy explained. "They certainly did not have time to take their children away from schools, dispose of their houses and uproot themselves entirely before the ship sailed."

Waive Neutrality Act

"The Embassy in London has had more than 1,500 applications for facilities to return to America. The only way out is for Washington to allow an American ship to sail and to waive the Neutrality Act temporarily for this to be done."

Tweedy added that the United States government had, in fact, decided to do this some time ago. If the German government would declare the ship safe from attack, this agreement was not reached between the governments and the American government dropped the proposal.

Smuggling On Eire Borders

BELFAST, July 8 (UP).—South of the border, partner, there's some rustling going on and Irish officials are brushing up on western American police methods to catch "boudoir smugglers" operating between the Eire and Ulster borders.

Working on the theory that beauty is above the law, this gang of smugglers are running beauty aids from unrationed Eire northward into Ulster. It is believed that the smugglers include a large group of women. Police already have seized large quantities of lipsticks, nail files, and cigarette lighters as well as more than 1,000 powder puffs, hundreds of bottles of perfume, 3,245 hairnets, 900 combs, 63 dozen handkerchiefs, 9,000 pairs of long bootlaces, and 4,000 pairs of shoe laces.

Evidence that the group's activities are spreading was seen in the seizure of crates of chocolate, 17 dozen pocket knives, some onions and 3,000 clothes pins.

This contraband was seized in the Scotstown area on the Tyrone border. One load of contraband was discovered in a truck carrying crates of chickens. Police of Northern and Southern Ireland are cooperating in an effort to halt the traffic.

"Blitz" Quitter Condemned

Cardiff City Fathers Roused To Wrath

CARDIFF, July 8 (UP).—The Cardiff City Council, proclaiming the use of the words "guts" and "My God" ungentlemanly, has authorized printing of 10,000 copies of a poem designed to halt the migrations of "blitz-quitters" who nightly leave the city in their cars for places of greater safety.

The "blitz-quitter" was roundly condemned by the city fathers at a recent council meeting. He was described as the man who packs hot water bottles, blankets and pillows into his car, then drives to country districts to spend the night. Authorities said that by leaving his home unguarded, the "blitz-quitter" endangered his neighborhood by not being on hand in the event of raiders setting his house afire.

Consequently, the city council studied the following poem attacking the "blitz-quitters":

To those who pack and run away,
And have not got the guts to stay,
If all were cowards, such as you,
My God, what would poor old England do?

Words Substituted

Council-member Sir Herbert Hiles enthusiastically approved of the poem as written. But other members disagreed. "Language of the gutter," they said. "Doggerel, not quite the thing for an official publication." However, most of the council members agreed with Sir Herbert's statement that "I would like the chance of sticking to an, certain cars that leave the city."

The opposition gained two points before the council authorized the poem's publication at city expense. It was agreed that the verse, as officially printed, would substitute the word "pluck" for "guts"—and that the council would strike out the words "My God" and replace them with "then."

Henpecked Husbands Gather

HALIFAX, Yorks, July 8 (UP).—Members of the Ancient Order of Henpecked Husbands have held their annual general meeting again and enjoyed their one day off in the year from their wives.

None of them revealed the secret meeting place. They were afraid their wives might call.

Every year, in spring or early summer, the henpecked husbands of Great Britain meet somewhere in the lonely fastnesses of the Yorkshire-Lancashire moors between Halifax and Rochdale.

They discuss new ways of combating petticoat influence in their homes. All of them hope they will never again have to attend the meeting of the ancient order.

Few Resignations

But there are few resignations. This year, there was a larger attendance than usual. More husbands managed to dodge their wives.

They told them that they were going fire-watching; spending the day hunting cigarettes or razor-blades or were going to see a man about the income-tax.

German Pilots Rouge Cheeks

LONDON, July 8 (UP).—Some of the Luftwaffe pilots shot down in the Liffitts have waved hair and enamelled finger-nails. Some of them rouge their cheeks and paint their lips. Medical scientists call them "moral deviates."

German airmen in British prisoners-of-war camps who use rouge and face-cream have been found by Sir James Purves-Stewart, the famous neurologist.

Every one of them wore the Iron Cross.

Sir James says: "This particular form of perversion abounds all over Germany. And it is encouraged. People of this temperament are subject to severe emotional outbursts. Then, they become ruthless and savage—which well accords with some of the examples of German air war we have had here."

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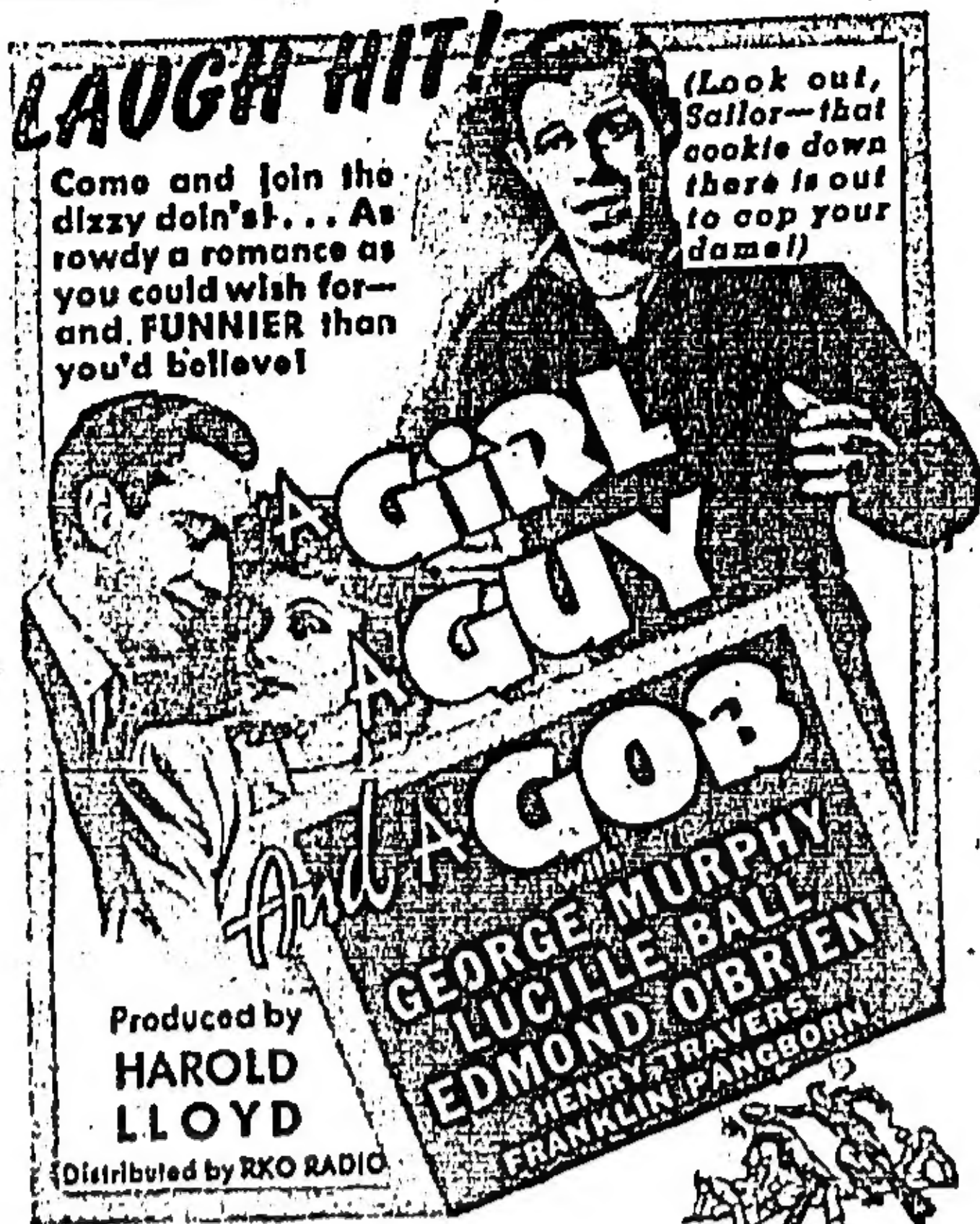


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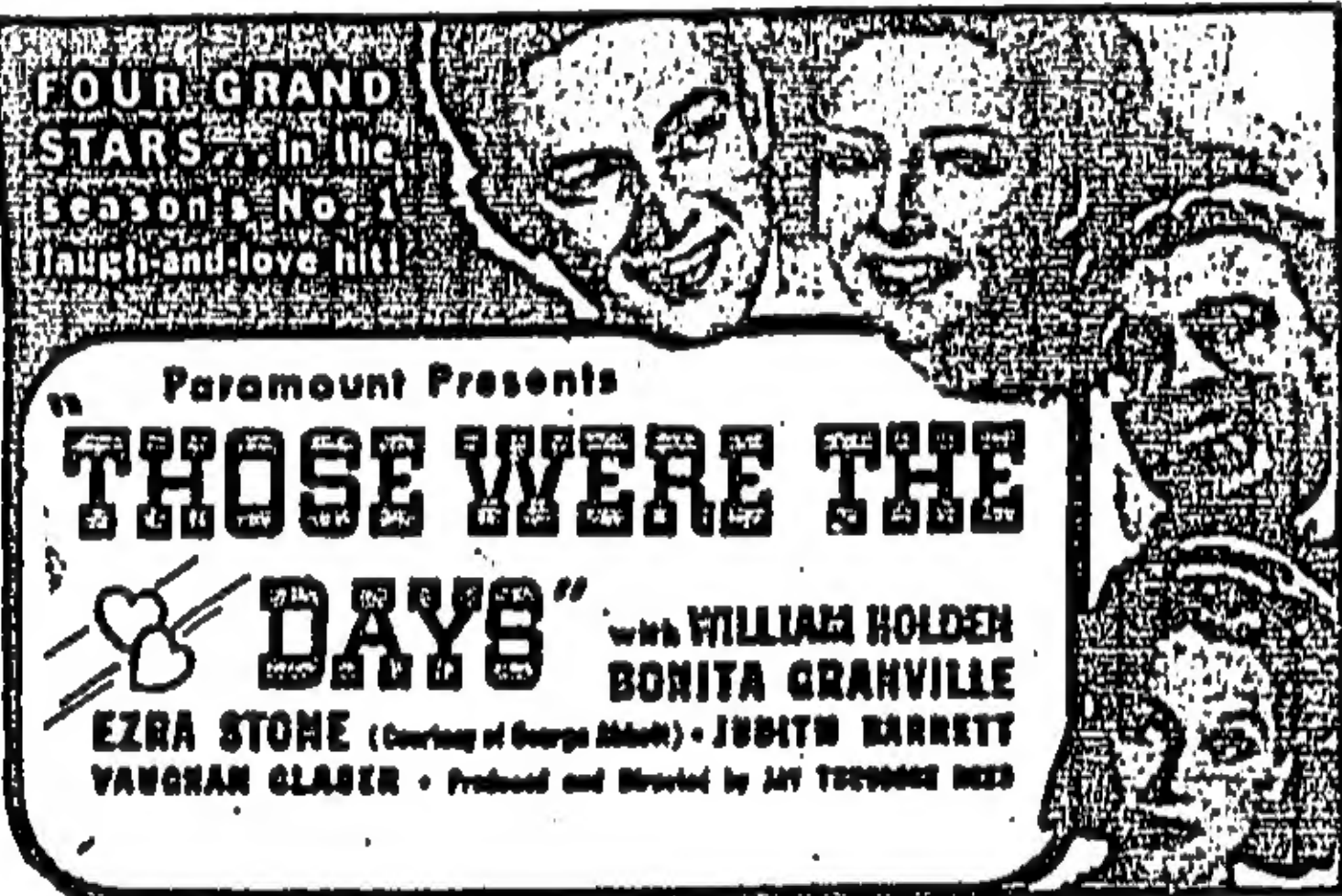


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Tanks & Aircraft Production

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than two aircraft into the air for continuous patrol during daylight. "Our tanks have not done so well against the Germans. There are not enough and they are too slow. In Greece seventy to eighty per cent of our tanks broke down before they saw the enemy."

Views Ventilated

"Reuter" says that the debate provided an occasion for those who are not satisfied that the country is achieving the maximum possible output to ventilate their views. The Conservative member, Lieutenant Brabber, who was with the Fleet Air Arm at Crete, complained of the lack of armaments and planes, and the weakness of the tanks while Lieutenant Commander Hopkinson asserted that none of the planes produced by Lord Beaverbrook's drive participated in the Battle of Britain.

He was assailed by Labour members when he described the Labour Minister, Mr. Ernest Bevin, as an "unskilled labourer."

Munitions Minister

The Labourite, Mr. G. M. Garro-Jones, urged the appointment of a Minister of Munitions with a seat in the Cabinet to "end the jostling for men and materials." He contended that the production of tanks was being delayed by countless modifications and while expressing satisfaction with British aircraft production, declared that too many types were being sent from America, resulting in hundreds lying idle and unpacked in warehouses because necessary auxiliary equipment was not available.

The Conservative member, Mr. Oscar Guest, declared that it was very difficult for manufacturers to obtain clear-cut quick decisions from Government departments.

Tremendous Output

The Liberal member, Mr. Geoffrey Le M. Mander, said that the enemy could draw no possible consolation from the criticisms for there had been a tremendous output of war equipment of all kinds. Mr. Mander continued that what they urged, however, was a still greater output. He complained of idleness in factories due to change-over in types. Workers resented being paid for playing darts which was all that they had to do in many cases.

The Labour member, Mr. D. J. K. Quibell, said that it was a scandal that in a factory which made the first tanks in Britain, only a quarter of the employees were now engaged on war production. Lieutenant Brabber declared that in the Middle East, Crete, Libya and Syria, there was an almost complete lack of the most important materials of war.

A. A. Guns

"We are still grievously short of anti-aircraft guns and at Malme there was a great shortage of multiple half-inch machine-guns for use against low-flying aircraft."

Lieut. Brabber continued: "Our tanks did well against the Italians but not so well against the Germans because there were not enough of them and they were too slow."

"If we could produce 20,000 aircraft, we could win the war," he declared. Lieut. Commander Hopkinson urged competitive tenders for design and revision of the contract system, asserting that at present it paid to take 80,000 man-hours to produce an aircraft which could be produced in 20,000 man-hours. He charged Mr. Ernest Bevin with incompetence in the manner in which labour is being handled.

LOUIS DENIES CRUELTY

CHICAGO, July 9 (Reuter).—Answering a divorce suit filed in the Circuit Court, Joe Louis, the heavy-weight boxing champion, denied that he had ever struck his wife.

Asking dismissal of the suit, he completely denied the charges of cruelty and denied that his wife "had treated him unkindly and affectionately and conducted herself towards him as a true and virtuous wife" as the plaintiff claimed.

Harbour Warning To Mariners

Mariners are hereby informed that from to-day and until further notice, repairs will be effected to the submarine telegraph cable which is in the prohibited anchorage area between Taiaktsui and the Eastern part of Stonecutters Island.

The regulation signals will be exhibited by the craft employed in this work.

Vessels are warned to keep well clear of the craft so employed, and to proceed as slow as possible compatible with safe navigation.

Round The Cape Shipping Facilities

CAPE TOWN, July 9 (Reuter).—Far-reaching proposals for transferring Table Bay Harbour from its peacetime footing routine to a wartime footing and thereby speeding up British shipping will shortly be put before the Minister of Railways by a strong deputation of Cape Town shipping and commercial leaders.

It is proposed to institute a 24-hours day and a seven-day week service.

Ushirogu Leaves Canton Post

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" TAIHOKU, July 9 (Domel).—Lieut. General Jun Ushirogu, former Supreme Commander of the Japanese Expeditionary Force to South China, who has been appointed Chief of the General Staff of the Japanese Expeditionary Forces to China, arrived here at noon to-day from Canton by plane.

Will Give £10,000 For Bombers, If—



Sir Victor Sassoon, who has offered to donate £10,000 to the Bomber Fund if Hongkong subscribes an additional £100,000 by October 31.

Nurses Lost At Sea

WASHINGTON, July 9 (Reuter).—The Red Cross announces that six British nurses are missing from a British ship torpedoed en route to England.

American Subjects

WASHINGTON, July 9 (Reuter).—It is now stated that the nurses in the torpedoed British vessels are American subjects.

Legal Appointment

LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—Mr. K. E. Poyser, former Chief Justice of the Straits Settlements, has been appointed Legal Adviser to the Dominion Office and Colonial Office in succession to Sir Henry Bushe, recently appointed Governor of Barbados.

LATE NEWS

Partitioning Of Yugo-Slavia

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" ROME, July 9 (UP).—An official communiqué issued to-day states that Italy and Germany yesterday signed an accord as a result of the partitioning of Yugo-Slavia. The new Italo-German frontier will run from Italy to the Yugo-Slav border from Saurach, from which point it will run eastwards to a point where the Italo-Croatian borders meet.

SOLDIER DIES FROM INJURIES

Lance Corporal William C. Smith of the Royal Scots, who was involved in an accident on Tuesday, died at the Kowloon Hospital at 2 a.m. to-day. The funeral will take place at the Colonial Cemetery at 4 p.m. to-day.

The deceased was one of three members of the Royal Scots who were injured when a Bren-gun carrier, managed by Smith, skidded and rolled down a 70-ft embankment at Castle Peak. The other two, Privates Higgins and McKay received only superficial injuries, having been thrown from the vehicle. Smith sustained fractures of both legs and head injuries and lost a large amount of blood before he was taken to hospital.

Private W. Embleton, who was driving a carrier behind, promptly rushed to the aid of the injured man and took them to hospital. Smith was given a blood transfusion in hospital but his condition took a turn for the worse yesterday.

Only 24 years of age Smith was a native of London, and is survived by his parents and brothers and sisters. He has no relatives in Hongkong. He was with the Royal Scots for over seven years.

German Officials Warned

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" WASHINGTON, July 9 (UP).—Official circles to-day stated that the ousted German and Italian Consular employees who choose to return to their homelands on ships other than those provided by the United States "travel at their own risk." The comment followed a report that Captain Weidemann, Consul-General at San Francisco and six members of his staff intend to leave for Germany next Sunday on a Japanese liner.

Cologne Raid

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" BERLIN, July 9 (UP).—The "Knoel Nische Zeitung" to-day announced that 75 civilians were killed and several are still missing as a result of an R.A.F. raid on Cologne last Monday night.

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Unceasing Raids On Nazi Industries

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"unpleasant surprises" in store for them has led the High Command of the German forces to maintain considerable forces in the west, according to the German radio.

Commenting on to-day's High Command communiqué, the announcer declared that the enemy is not idle on this sector of the front. This is proved by his "almost daily attempts" to raid the Channel coast. This is further proved by his nightly attacks on northwest Germany.

The central target is the "unhappy" town of Munster and "targets of military and industrial importance."

The commentator, after commiserating with citizens who might after night have lost not only sleep but often belongings and even their lives, added, "It is just as impossible to eliminate these attacks as it is impossible to eliminate artillery fire on the front."

Bethune Attacked

LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—This afternoon heavy bombers of the R.A.F., escorted by fighters, attacked the power station near Bethune, states the Air Ministry. The target was hit by heavy bombs. During the operations, 11 enemy fighters were destroyed, one by a bomber and ten by the escort. Seven of our fighters are missing.

Vichy Admits Syria Defeat

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General Dentz's request for an armistice, therefore, has caused little surprise here where it is pointed out that from the military viewpoint, Vichy's troops are in a desperate position.

The capture of Damour would be a crippling blow because elsewhere in Syria the position of the Vichy troops is equally serious.

British Imperial troops are also threatening the remaining city of Aleppo, advancing parallel to the Istanbul-Aleppo-Damascus railway from the southeast and east.

At the same time, Allied columns are steadily advancing at Nebek and Furqus to threaten the vital road and rail junction of Homs from the south and east.

Furthermore, Vichy troops in Jezze are now in imminent danger of being isolated as the result of an Allied push up the coast.

Authoritative quarters consider that the recent rumours of strong Vichy reinforcements reaching Syria are largely only propaganda intended to bolster up the morale of the troops and impress the local population. Pending the agreement of armistice terms, it is emphasised here that hostilities will continue actively.

No Animosity

LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—Mr. Alfred Duff-Cooper, Minister of Information, speaking in London to-day, said that Britain had no feeling of hostility or enmity against the Frenchmen who obeyed the orders of the Vichy Government. "We only hope that this unfortunate hostility will be forgotten as soon as possible."

Peru-Ecuador

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with the Foreign Ministers to which they are accredited, and to suggest that a joint effort be made by all American nations to use their influence and aid to bring about a solution of the Ecuador-Peru controversy.

They further were instructed to express the hope that all American governments would support the proposal made by the governments of Argentina, Brazil and the United States.

Mr. Welles made clear that this measure was purely temporary.

Rice For Poor In Shanghai

LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—Replying to Major-General Sir Alfred Knox in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, said that supplies of rice for the poor in the International Settlements in Shanghai were primarily a matter for the Municipal Council to take up with the Japanese authorities.

Asked if he knew that the prices of rice had risen 700 per cent, Mr. Eden said that he knew that the situation was serious.

Defence Of Iraq Wavell's Concern

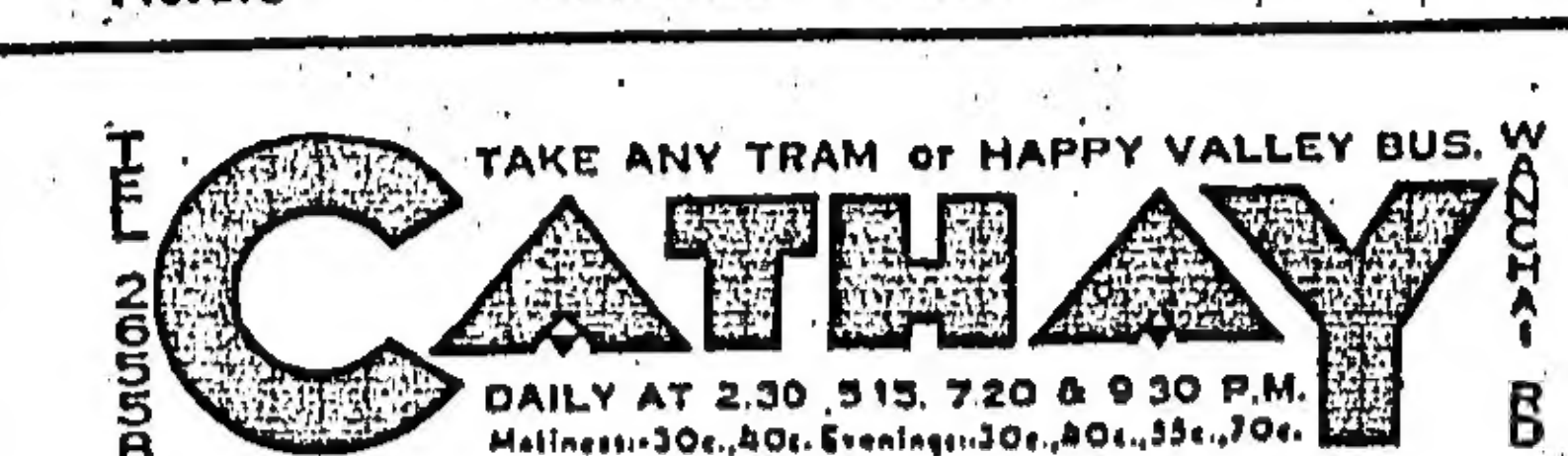
LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—The defence of Iraq will in future be the responsibility of the Indian Command and will come under the authority of General Sir Archibald Wavell.

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SOVIETS CLAIM DESTRUCTION OF RUMANIAN OIL CENTRES Port of Constanza "Ceases To Exist"

Special to the "Telegraph"

NEW YORK, July 9 (UP).—ACCORDING TO THE NATIONAL BROADCASTING COMPANY, THE MOSCOW RADIO TO-DAY ASSERTED THAT THE RUSSIAN AIR FORCE HAD "COMPLETELY DESTROYED ENEMY OIL CENTRES IN RUMANIA." DAMAGE WAS PARTICULARLY HEAVY AT PLOESTI, ONE OF THE PRINCIPAL RUMANIAN OIL FIELDS.

THE REPORT ADDED THAT THE RUMANIAN BLACK SEA PORT OF CONSTANZA HAS "CEASED TO EXIST" AS A RESULT OF CONTINUAL BOMBARDMENT BY THE RUSSIAN FLEET AND AERIAL ATTACKS.

MOSCOW COMMUNIQUE

LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—A war communique issued by the Soviet Information Board and broadcast by the Moscow radio, states that throughout the day of July 9 fierce fighting was continued against large enemy tank and mechanised units trying to break through in Ostrov, Polotsk and Novograd-Volinsk directions.

"In the Ostrov sector our forces are engaged in a stubborn battle holding back the advance of superior enemy forces. In the direction of Polotsk, the enemy renewed his offensive this morning. Our troops met his offensive with deadly artillery and machinegun fire and with decisive counterattacks.

HEAVY ENEMY LOSSES

"Fighting still continues, and the enemy is suffering heavy losses.

"In the direction of Lepel, our troops are making successful counter-thrusts against the enemy. In the Novograd-Volinsk area there was fierce fighting throughout the day between our troops and large enemy mechanised forces.

"In other directions, our troops are fighting stubbornly, maintaining their positions.

"Our aircraft operated against enemy mechanised units and destroyed enemy aircraft on the ground. Our aircraft bombed Constanza, a port, and trade ports in Tulcea and Sulina, and the oil fields of Ploesti.

"During the raid on Constanza, nine of our bombers were met by 14 enemy aircraft. In the ensuing air battle our aircraft brought down seven enemy machines with the loss of one of ours.

Ostrov Claimed By Nazis
LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—The German official news agency says that German troops have occupied Ostrov on the main road to Leningrad, which is 200 miles to the northeast.

The town was captured after attempts by Soviet troops to take up new defensive positions on the Latvian front," adds the agency.

In Estonia, says the agency, Nazi troops have captured the port of Pernau and the town of Fellin, midway between Pernau and Dorpat.

Struggle On Pruth
VICHY, July 9 (Reuter).—A communique issued to-day by the Hungarian High Command, according to a Budapest dispatch to the Vichy news agency, states: "Our troops near the River Debruz were engaged in combat with the enemy for the crossing of the River. Our cyclist group by forced march and our engineers by their unceasing work have contributed in no small measure to the successes."

The Debruz is a tributary of the Danube, which it joins just north of Chotly.

Battle of Three Rivers
LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—The battle of the eastern front has developed into the Battle of the Three Rivers—Dvina, Dnieper and Dniester.

At least 30 people were killed or drowned when three junks, loaded with petrol, entered a minefield between Shek Ling and Tai Ku Chan, near Cheung Chau, early Monday afternoon, and were blown up.

Police rescued one of the crew who died shortly afterwards, and the rest, numbering 30, were either killed or drowned.

Beirut Receives An Allied Ultimatum

Special to the "Telegraph"

CAIRO, July 9 (UP).—General Sir Henry Maitland Wilson, Commander-in-Chief of the Allied forces in Syria, has issued another ultimatum to General Dentz, the defending Commander-in-Chief.

It is to the effect that Beirut should surrender by 5.30 a.m. on Thursday (1.30 p.m. Hongkong time to-day).

This is revealed by the Jerusalem Radio, which adds that according to the ultimatum, if the terms are not accepted, the Allied forces will take action against the city.

Damour Occupied

HAIFA, July 9 (Reuter).—Imperial forces have now occupied Damour.

On Finnish Front

Salla Said Occupied
BUDAPEST, July 9 (Reuter).—An advance on the eastern frontier to a depth of five to 10 kilometres is claimed by the Finns in a Finnish communique quoted to-day by the Budapest wireless.

The communique adds that "our troops have occupied a few points beyond the southern frontier and have repulsed the enemy. Our air force carried out reconnaissance activity and dropped bombs."

Hungarian troops have reached the river Pruth and are fighting to force a crossing, states an official Hungarian communique.

Salla Occupied
BERLIN, July 9 (UP).—According to the official news agency, German troops on the Finnish front, after heavy fighting, have occupied the strongly fortified town of Salla.

Helsinki Casualties
HELSINKI, July 9 (UP).—The first semi-official figures indicate that 14 persons were killed and 60 seriously wounded.

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Unceasing Raids On Vital Nazi Industries

LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—Thirteen enemy aircraft were destroyed during to-day's offensive operations by the R.A.F. 12 by fighters and one by a bomber.

Eight British fighters are missing, the pilot of one being safe.

CHUNGKING & LONDON

Amity Emphasised

LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—Invited in the House of Commons to-day by the Labour member, Mr. Philip Noel-Baker, to make a statement on the relations between the Government and Chungking in view of the recent Axis recognition of Nanking, Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, replied that this development did not make any difference to the Government's Far Eastern policy which was based on recognition of Chungking as the legitimate national Chinese Government.

On July 7, the Chinese entered the fifth year of their indomitable resistance. "I am happy to repeat the assurance I recently gave here that the British Government will continue to do what it can to help China to maintain her independence" (Cheers).

Message From M.P.s.

Mr. Eden indicated his assent when Mr. Noel-Baker expressed the hope that he would transmit that message to the Chinese Government with an assurance that it was warmly supported by all Parties in the House.

Far East Shipping Questions In House

LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—Replying to Sir John Wadlaw Milne, Mr. Anthony Eden, in the House of Commons to-day, said that there had been some shortage of shipping in Far Eastern waters, resulting in difficulties for the Shanghai Power Company maintaining coal stocks.

However, he understood that the Company had succeeded in chartering a number of neutral vessels and were negotiating for others.

Mr Willkie Urges U.S. Bases In N. Ireland

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, July 9 (UP).—After a conference with President Roosevelt to-day, Mr. Willkie announced that he was in favour of the establishment of American bases in Northern Ireland.

The President and Mr. Willkie had a luncheon conference which lasted an hour and fifteen minutes, during which time they reviewed the international situation, particularly with regard to Iceland and the Russo-German war.

Mr. Willkie later denied that there was any discussion about the possibility of him being "drafted" into a Federal job.

Effective Aid Needed

WASHINGTON, July 9 (Reuter).—Mr. Wendell Willkie told the Press,

Tanks & Aircraft Production

Hotly Criticised In House Of Commons

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, July 9 (UP).—In the House of Commons to-day the Government was sharply criticised on its war production, notably in tanks and aeroplanes, coupled with charges of incompetence and mismanagement.

Lieutenant-Commander Hopkinson, speaking as a "member of the Fleet Air Arm and Aircraft Production," charged that aeroplane production was "chaos from top to bottom."

Mr. Garro-Jones charged that a few weeks ago hundreds of American planes were lying in warehouses still unpacked "because those who placed orders on behalf of the Air Ministry did not order the necessary auxiliary equipment."

Wants Higher Control
He claimed that the Air Ministry is now ordering 30 types of American aircraft, but "those ordering them had forgotten to ensure supplies and maintenance equipment." As a result, one type of aircraft alone is complete and ready for operation, and the others are forced to lie in the warehouses.

Mr. Garro-Jones urged the appointment of a higher control to consolidate the purchases of the Ministries of Aircraft Production and Supply, and the Admiralty.

Lieutenant Brabber in his maiden speech, and wearing the uniform of the Fleet Air Arm, charged that in Greece, Libya, Crete and Syria

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SOLDIER DIES FROM INJURIES

Lance Corporal William C. Smith of the Royal Scots, who was involved in an accident on Tuesday, died at the Kowloon Hospital at 2 a.m. to-day. The funeral will take place at the Colonial Cemetery at 4 p.m. to-day.

The deceased was one of three members of the Royal Scots who were injured when a Bren gun carrier, managed by Smith, skidded and rolled down a 70-ft embankment at Castle Peak. The other two, Privates Higgins and McKay received only superficial injuries, having been thrown from the vehicle. Smith sustained fractures of both legs and head injuries and lost a large amount of blood before he was taken to hospital.

Private W. Embleton, who was driving a carrier behind, promptly rushed to the aid of the injured men and took them to hospital. Smith was given a blood transfusion in hospital but his condition took a turn for the worse yesterday.

Only 24 years of age Smith was a native of London, and is survived by his parents and brothers and sisters. He has no relatives in Hongkong. He was with the Royal Scots for over seven years.

The Huns Tried Twice To Kill This Baby

Four-months-old Dorothy May Manson, pictured in her Granny's arms, after their Liverpool home had been bombed. Little Dorothy May was born in a blitz and came through it without a scratch, though there was devastation on all sides. And now, when the house was wrecked in a recent blitz, Dorothy was saved again by her Grandmother. This picture was taken in the wreckage of their home.



Vichy Admits Syria Defeat: Wants to Lay Down Arms

LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—An admission that the French Government cannot continue the struggle in Syria is contained in a communique issued to-day and reported in a Vichy dispatch to the official German news agency.

The Vichy communique says that despite all efforts, the French Government was not able to send its troops in Syria the reinforcements they required to continue the struggle.

With the desire to avoid "particularly painful bloodshed in a struggle that was growing more painful every day," the French Government, states the communique, "have authorised General Dentz to ask for an immediate laying down of arms."

A demarche to that effect was made at Beirut yesterday, through the United States Consul-General, concludes the communique.

American Offices

WASHINGTON, July 9 (Reuter).—Mr. Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State, said to-day:

Boulder Tragedy In Chungking

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
CHUNGKING, July 9 (UP).—One hundred and twenty-five persons were killed or wounded at 3.40 a.m. to-day when a giant granite boulder, weighing at least 40 tons, rolled down to the Chialing river from a height of 300 feet from Chungking's city wall, behind the American Methodist Hospital.

British Forces Will Remain in Iceland

LONDON, July 9 (British Wireless).—Replying to a question in the House of Commons to-day relating to the position in Iceland, the Prime Minister said that the military occupation of Iceland by U.S. forces was one of the most important things that had happened since the war began.

The step had been undertaken by the U.S.A. in pursuance of the purely American policy of protecting the Western Hemisphere from the Nazi menace.

"I understand that it is the view of the American technical authorities," he continued, "that modern conditions of war, especially air war, require forestalling action, in this case especially in order to prevent the acquisition by Hitler of a jumping-off ground from which it will be possible, bound by bound, to come to close quarters with the American continent."

In Harmony With Britain

Mr. Churchill recalled that with the assent of the Icelandic people, Britain had for some time maintained a strong garrison on the island and he continued, "This measure of American aid is in complete harmony with the policy of the United States."

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- All photographs entered must have been taken in the Colony of Hongkong. Photographs which have been already entered in other Competitions are ineligible.
- No responsibility will be accepted for non-delivery of, loss of, or damage to entries.
- All entries to be either black, sepia, or toned pictures, and must be mounted. Coloured photographs are ineligible.
- Pictures submitted in sepia tones should be accompanied by a smaller print in black and white.
- No picture to be entered in more than one Section.
- Mounts to be only white or cream, must be of one of the following sizes: 10x12, 10x20.
- No correspondence will be entered into in connection with the Competition.
- Members of the Staffs of the Hongkong Telegraph and the South China Morning Post are not permitted to compete.
- The decision of the Judges shall be final.
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12.30 Excerpts from Verdi's Operas. "La Traviata", "Aida", "Rigoletto".

1. Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.

1.02 Maurice Winick and His Orchestra and Banjo Solos.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Norman Allin (Bass) and Debroy Somers Band.

"Fanfare"—Selection: Father O'Flynn (Gravely); Rocked in the Cradle of a Deep (Willard and Knight); Ballroom Memories—Waitress; Edward (Corder and Loewe).

2.15 Close down.

6 Indian Programme.

6.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 Brahms—Variations on a Theme by Paganini, Op. 35.

Egon Petri (Piano).

7.00 Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano) and Joseph Szjgeli (Violin).

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7.20 Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano) with Piano; Nigun (Improvisation from "Baal Shem" Bloch); Joseph Szjgeli (Violin) with Piano acc; Caprice Vienneoise (Kreisler); Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano) with Orchestra; Adagio in E (Tartini—arr. Ondrick); Joseph Szjgeli (Violin) with Piano; Vogel Lied, Op. 41, No. 4 (Weingartner); Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano) with Orchestra; Rondo (from "Sonata in D Major"—Schubert); Joseph Szjgeli (Violin) with Piano acc.

7.30 Orchestra Raymonde and Georges Thill (Tenor).

8.00 London Relay—The News.

8.15 London Relay—War Commentary.

8.25 London Relay—Listening Post.

Examination of Points in Daily German and Italian Propaganda.

8.30 Programme Summary.

8.32 The Bohemians and Hildegarde (Vocal).

9.00 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

9.02 Mendelssohn—Songs Without Words.

Sadness of Soul (F Major, Op. 53, No. 4); Lost Illusion (F sharp minor, Op. 67, No. 2); Venetian Gondola Song No. 2 (F sharp minor, Op. 39, No. 6); Lost Happiness (A.C. minor, Op. 39, No. 2); Ignaz Friedman (Piano).

9.15 Studio—Local Newsletter.

9.30 Concert Waltzes.

9.45-10 News in French (on Short Wave Only).

0.45 Louis Levy and His Orchestra.

10.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

10.15 Dance Music.

11.00 London Relay—Sir Dennis Bray on India.

11.15 Close down.

A decree nisi with costs against the husband was granted by Judge Sir Allan G. Mossop in H.M. Supreme Court at Shanghai last week to Mrs Jennie Doreen Wilcox, who petitioned for a dissolution of her marriage to Mr Wilfred Charles Wilcox.

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS
of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 14th day of July, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Cheung Sha Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

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No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Ann. Rental	Upset Price
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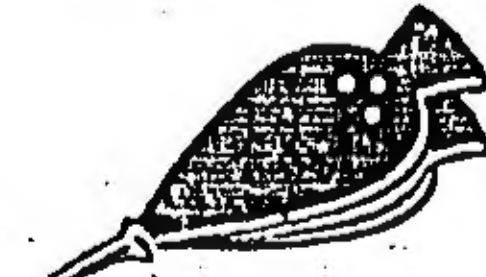
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Peru-Ecuador Clash: Reconciliation Moves

WASHINGTON, July 9 (Reuter).—The United States, Argentina and Brazil have asked Peru and Ecuador to establish a No Man's Land on both sides of a line known as the Status Quo line in the territory disputed by the two nations.

Mr Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State, at a press conference to-day announced that after the envoys of the three nations had made the foregoing recommendation to Peru and Ecuador, the three governments also informed the governments of all the other American republics and asked them to give their support towards ending the conflict.

Under the proposals, the governments of Peru and Ecuador would withdraw their military forces 15 kilometres from each side of the "Status Quo Line," establishing a neutral zone 30 kilometres in depth between now and an armistice.

Both governments are requested to prevent their planes from passing over the neutral zone.

Pan-American Efforts

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Mr Welles made clear that this measure was purely temporary.

Fighting Ceases

QUITO, July 9 (UP).—It is officially announced that the fighting between Peruvian and Ecuadorian troops in the border dispute has ceased, but each country has accused the other of starting the trouble.

BRITISH LOSSES IN SYRIA

LONDON, July 9 (British Wireless).—Replying to a question in the House of Commons to-day asking for a statement on the position in Syria, the Prime Minister said:

"I need hardly say how very glad H.M. Government will be to see an end brought to this distressing conflict in which nearly 2,500 British, Australian and Indian soldiers, who volunteered or joined the Army in order to defend France, have fallen, killed or wounded, the result of the lamentable confusion which the affairs of so many good people in so many parts of the world have been thrown by the victories of Hitler's army.

"Therefore, we welcome these negotiations and trust that they may reach a speedy conclusion. Pending any formal arrangements being made, military operations must, of course, continue without abatement."

German Officials Warned

WASHINGTON, July 9 (UP).—Official circles to-day stated that the ousted German and Italian Consular employees who choose to return to their homelands on ships other than those provided by the United States "travel at their own risk." The comment followed a report that Captain Weidemann, Consul-General at San Francisco, and six members of his staff intend to leave for Germany next Sunday on a Japanese liner.

Ushirogu Leaves Canton Post

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
TAIHKUO July 9 (Domel).—Lieut-General Ushirogu, former Supreme Commander of the Japanese Expeditionary Force to South China, who has been appointed Chief of the General Staff of the Japanese Expeditionary Forces to China, arrived here at noon to-day from Canton by plane.

Partitioning Of Yugo-Slavia

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
ROME, July 9 (UP).—An official communiqué issued to-day states that Italy and Germany yesterday signed an accord as a result of the partitioning of Yugo-Slavia. The new Italo-German frontier will run from Italy to the Yugo-Slav border from Snirach, from which point it will run eastwards to a point where the Italo-Croatian borders meet.

Round The Cape Shipping Facilities

CAPE TOWN, July 9 (Reuter).—Far-reaching proposals for transferring Table Bay Harbour from its peacetime footing routine to a wartime footing and thereby speeding up British shipping will shortly be put before the Minister of Railway by a strong deputation of Cape Town shipping and commercial leaders.

It is proposed to institute a 24-hours day and a seven-day week service.

U. S. FLEET GROWING RAPIDLY

WASHINGTON, July 9 (Reuter).—The United States will be producing 100 destroyers a year by 1943, disclosed Admiral A. M. Robinson, Chief of the Naval Bureau of Ships.

The United States shipbuilding programme, he declared, is proceeding much faster than the most optimistic in the Naval Department had expected but it is "absolutely essential" to speed up production materials to keep up this pace.

Testifying before the Senate Defence Investigating Committee, Admiral Robinson said that the programme was "four or five months" ahead of the rest of the national defence effort.

Relentless R.A.F. Raids In Mid East

CAIRO, July 9 (Reuter).—Direct hits with heavy bombs were obtained by R.A.F. bombers on a railway station and warehouses near the harbour of Tripoli, says Wednesday's R.A.F. Middle East communiqué.

Aircraft of the Royal Australian Air Force carried out a diving machinegun attack on Vichy armoured cars and motor transport vehicles near Beirut.

During the night of July 7-8, heavy bombers attacked and damaged Vichy aircraft on the ground at Aleppo and on an airfield at Nasrullah where three Vichy aircraft were destroyed.

Cirenaica

In Cirenaica, R.A.F. bombers again carried out successful attacks on the harbour at Benghazi. In one of these raids a large petrol fire was started on a railway terminus siding. Another extensive fire was started at the base of the Cathedral Mole, causing a five-hundred yards' belt of flame which spread along the docks and which was visible for 40 miles.

Fires were started at the base of the central mole by another formation which also severely damaged one CR-42 aircraft.

R.A.F. bombers also attacked targets at Eleusis, Greece, and on the island of Crete, causing fires. All aircraft returned safely.

Rice For Poor In Shanghai

LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—Replying to Major-General Sir Alfred Knox in the House of Commons to-day, Mr Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, said that supplies of rice for the poor in the International Settlement in Shanghai were being primarily a matter for the Municipal Council to take up with the Japanese authorities.

Asked if he knew that the prices of rice had risen 700 per cent, Mr Eden said that he knew that the situation was serious.

Nurses Lost At Sea

WASHINGTON, July 9 (Reuter).—The Red Cross announces that six British nurses are missing from a British ship torpedoed en route to England.

American Subjects

WASHINGTON, July 9 (Reuter).—It is now stated that the nurses in the torpedoed British vessels are American subjects.

LOUIS DENIES CRUELTY

CHICAGO, July 9 (Reuter).—Answering a divorce suit filed in the Circuit Court, Joe Louis, the heavyweight boxing champion, denied that he had ever struck his wife.

Asking dismissal of the suit, he completely denied the charges of cruelty and denied that his wife "had treated him" kindly and affectionately and conducted herself towards him as a true and virtuous wife as the plaintiff claimed.

Harbour Warning To Mariners

Mariners are hereby informed that from to-day and until further notice, repairs will be effected to the submarine cable which is in the prohibited anchorage area between Talkotsu and the Eastern part of Stonecutters Island.

The regulation signals will be exhibited by the craft employed in this work.

Vessels are warned to keep well clear of the craft so employed, and to proceed as slow as possible compatible with safe navigation.

Defence Of Iraq Wavell's Concern

LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—The defence of Iraq will in future be the responsibility of the Indian Command and will come under the authority of General Sir Archibald Wavell.

Cologne Raid

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, July 9 (UP).—The "Knoel Nische Zeitung" to-day announced that 75 civilians were killed and several are still missing as a result of an R.A.F. raid on Cologne last Monday night.

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The public are reminded that it is a breach of postal regulations to enclose in a postal cover communications intended for persons other than the addressee.

The Printed Matter Service to the following places in China is temporarily suspended: Yunnan, Kweichow, Kwantung, Hunan, Fukien (except Amoy and Kiangsu), Kwangsi, North and East of Kwangtung.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

INWARD AIR MAELS

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 8th July, 1941.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 22nd July, 1941.

OUTWARD AIR MAELS

Air Mail by Air to Hongkong to connect with the "British Overseas Airways".

K.P.O. and G.P.O.

Reg. July 14, 4.30 p.m.
Ord. July 14, 4.30 p.m.
Tuesday, July 15

Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services".

Reg. July 15, 5 p.m.
Ord. July 15, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg. July 15, 5 p.m.
Ord. July 15, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, July 29

Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services".

Reg. July 29, 5.00 p.m.
Ord. July 29, 5.30 p.m.
G.P.O.
Reg. July 29, 5.00 p.m.
Ord. July 29, 7.00 p.m.

If The U.S. Navy Has To Shoot..

WASHINGTON, July 9 (Reuter).—Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary for the Navy, at a press conference to-day stated that President Roosevelt had told the Navy what to do if it became necessary to shoot in order to protect the Atlantic approaches to United States bases against hostile activity.

He declared that the language of the Iceland message "would indicate" that the President had intended that the Atlantic approaches to his previous orders which were merely to report any hostile craft sighted.

Reds Raking In Rich Harvest

MOSCOW, July 9 (Reuter).—Collective farms throughout the Soviet Union are straining every nerve to gather in the unprecedentedly bountiful harvest in record time, states the official "Tass" agency.

In many districts, harvesting is well ahead of schedule. In the Crimea, for instance, four times more wheat has already been reaped than this time last year.

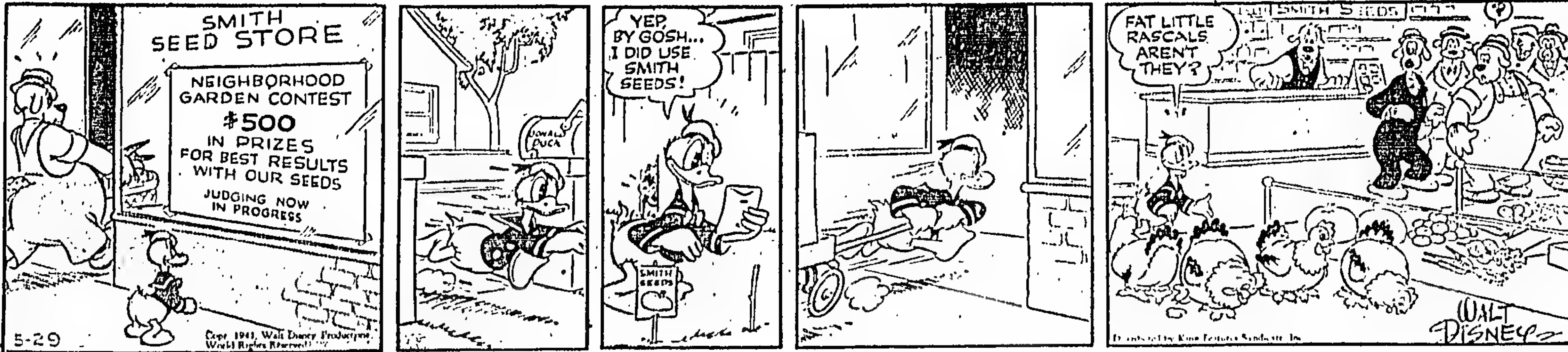
STUDENT RELIEF IN CHINA

CHUNGKING, July 10 (Central News).—The Ministry of Education has appropriated approximately \$50,000,000 in the past year for loans to students in both the war zones and non-war zones, according to a spokesman of the Ministry.

In addition, the Ministry has allocated \$1,000,000 in aid of the removal of the government and private universities and middle schools in Shanghai to Kweichow and Yunnan for the relief of the government and private

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Tighten Up Your Overcalls!

A LIGHT opening bid is not nearly as dangerous as a questionable overcall. At match-point duplicate, particularly, a third-hand bidder is apt to take all sorts of liberties, opening on as little as 1½ honour-tricks. This does not mean, however, that fourth hand can overcall with impunity. The opener's partner, though he passed originally, is still to be reckoned with. Note to-day's hand.

Match-point duplicate.
West dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

▲ K 10 6 4
♥ K 8 5
♦ Q J 7 4
♣ 10 3

▲ Q 7 5 2
♥ A 6 3 2
♦ K 10 9 2
♣ J

▲ J 8
♥ 10 9 4
♦ A 8
♣ 9 8 6 5 2

▲ J 8
♥ Q J 7
♦ Q 8 6
♣ A K Q 7 4

The bidding:
West North East South
Pass Pass Pass Pass
Dbl. Pass Pass Pass

Perhaps it is superfluous to point out that East's diamond bid was more psychic than honest. South's overcall, vulnerable, had no nibb whatsoever; it was just a poor bid. As to East's leave-in of the penalty double, either his courage or his optimism was very high. It must be admitted, however, that he would have had to look hard for a safe takeout.

After West had opened the diamond ace and seen dummy, a diamond continuation seemed unattractive, particularly since East

had played the deuce. West correctly shifted to his ten heart. Deceitful and bid down the club ace; then, when the jack fell, led a low club to dummy's ten. The heart king was cashed and then, with no convenient egress from the dummy, declarer played the diamond queen. East won and returned another diamond.

West ruffed with the club six and, without perceptible hesitation, underplayed the spade ace. Declarer, who had carefully noted that to date East had shown only the diamond king and heart ace, hardly could fail to guess wrong at this point. He let the lead ride to his own jack. East put up the queen and returned the thirteenth heart. Declarer, seeing what was coming, threw his losing spade, but this did not avail because East then played his last diamond, thus assuring West of a trump trick.

Excellent defence!—specifically West's underlead of the spade ace—had compensated for East's semi-psychic opening bid.

To-morrow's Hand

North dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

▲ A Q
♥ K 8 5
♦ A 10 7 4 2
♣ 8 6

▲ 10 8 8 3
♥ 7
♦ Q 10 5 4
♣ 2

▲ J 6 4
♥ 8 6
♦ J 8 5 3
♣ A K 7

▲ K 7
♥ A Q J 10 4 2
♦ K Q
♣ J 9 3

How should East-West defend against South's six heart contract?



FOR FIVE YEARS THE EMPRESS OF ETHIOPIA NEVER SMILED.

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When she went to London from her home in Bath after the great news of Ethiopian successes and the falling fortunes of the Fascist invaders, one would scarcely have recognised her. One saw her now as she was in her own capital—vivacious, strong, with sparkling eyes and ready smiles, the varied expressions of her eager thoughts succeeding rapidly—a very gallant lady.

In her exiled home in Bath she has hoped and planned for the return to Ethiopia all these five years.

SHE NEVER SMILED FOR FIVE YEARS

By SYLVIA PANKHURST

Sylvia Pankhurst, former Suffragist leader and now active worker for the cause of Abyssinian freedom, has just interviewed the Empress of Abyssinia. In this interview the Empress disclosed for the first time her plans to return home. Sylvia Pankhurst has been an intimate friend of the Empress for five years, and is the editor of "New Times and Ethiopia News."

RAS DESTA'S DAUGHTER AND SONS, with the Empress's youngest boy, are also at school, popular with their companions there and notable in their sports. Their home life is simple and sensible, much like that of English children, and their English governess proudly told me of their efficient wartime help in "digging for victory" in the big garden, which supplies all the household needs in fruit and vegetables.

The Empress, like the Emperor, regards the cause of Ethiopia as part of the cause of world freedom against the Axis, and they have both given many valuable and rare Ethiopian treasures to the British Red Cross.

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Crossword Puzzle

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ACROSS

1—Floating mass of ice
2—Discomfort
3—Covetous
4—Indian corn
5—State poultry
6—Philippine canoe
7—All day
8—Philippine
9—Extreme change in government
10—Negative prefix
11—Honorary rank in army
12—Himself
13—Jerk
14—Tendency to one side
15—Puts fear into
16—Flees on launch
17—Lies in Poland
18—Centers
19—Dangerous situation
20—Musical instrument
21—Control motion of
22—Overturn
23—Littering to chest
24—Lies in England
25—Look for again
26—Large vessel
27—Cry of sheep
28—Vessel that sails
29—Ship
30—Honey
31—Pumpkin
32—Opening wayer
33—In pot
34—Entirely
35—Precipitation from sky
36—Insect

DOWN

1—Backward-projecting point
2—All time
3—Act of obedience
4—Groups of trees
5—Jockey on horse
6—Club used to baseball
7—Puts life into
8—Clean with abrasive
9—Delivered with hand
10—Solid body
11—Old body
12—State of disorder
13—Times gone by
14—All day
15—Store profound
16—Shifting movement
17—Turkish unit of money
18—Jehovah, as high
19—Shooting forth
20—All day
21—All day
22—Mixture of rain
23—High plateau (French)
24—Pertaining to sun
25—Moon
26—Star's place
27—Made with plait
28—Bird-like fortress
29—All day
30—South American
31—Solid refuse
32—Wine-making
33—Solid refuse
34—Solid refuse
35—Solid refuse
36—Solid refuse

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MUCH TO BE DONE

"And when I am home again," she said with radiant happiness, "how much I shall have to do! My school for girls—they have made a barracks of it; but it will be reopened as soon as I return."

The Mennen Lyceum of which she spoke the first Ethiopian high school for girls, was a cherished work of the Empress. She wanted to start it when the Emperor was regent and the Empress Zauditu was on the throne. The Empress Zauditu, daughter of the Emperor Menelik II, occupied the throne with the Emperor Haile Selassie, then Ras Makonnen, as Regent. But, steeped in the old traditions, Zauditu considered such innovations unnecessary. She thought the old style schools quite sufficient.

When Empress Mennen came to the throne the high school was her first project. A distinguished Frenchwoman was selected as headmistress, and most of her assistants were French or British. The curriculum was the same as that of a good boys' grammar school, with gymnastics and sports, music, painting, and also domestic science. Modern languages were a strong point. The school was an instant success. It started with 100 boarders, and many more day pupils. The little dark girls in their "gym" tunics vaulted and leapt and climbed with all the vim and go of British or American girls.

"The child marriage is the worst of African customs," the Empress told me. "My advice has been: keep your

Health Bulletin

Sixteen cases of Cholera (three from Victoria, ten from Kowloon, two from Aberdeen and one from Shaikwan), one case each of Cerebro-spinal Meningitis and Chicken-pox, 14 of Dysentery, six of Typhoid, and 90 of Tuberculosis, were reported during the 48 hours ended on Tuesday. The Cholera cases to date total 1,061.

The weekly return shows the following infectious diseases: Five cases of Cerebro-spinal Meningitis with one death, 42 of Cholera with 21 deaths, four of Diphtheria with one death, 34 of Dysentery with 23 deaths, 19 of Typhoid with 14 deaths, one of Measles, and 208 of Tuberculosis with 170 deaths.

News has been received in Hongkong from Victoria, B.C., of the death of Mr John Thayer, late of Messrs Butterfield & Swire.

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A total of \$2,369,000.42 was reached yesterday by the War Fund inaugurated by the S. C. M. Post, Ltd., with the following donations:

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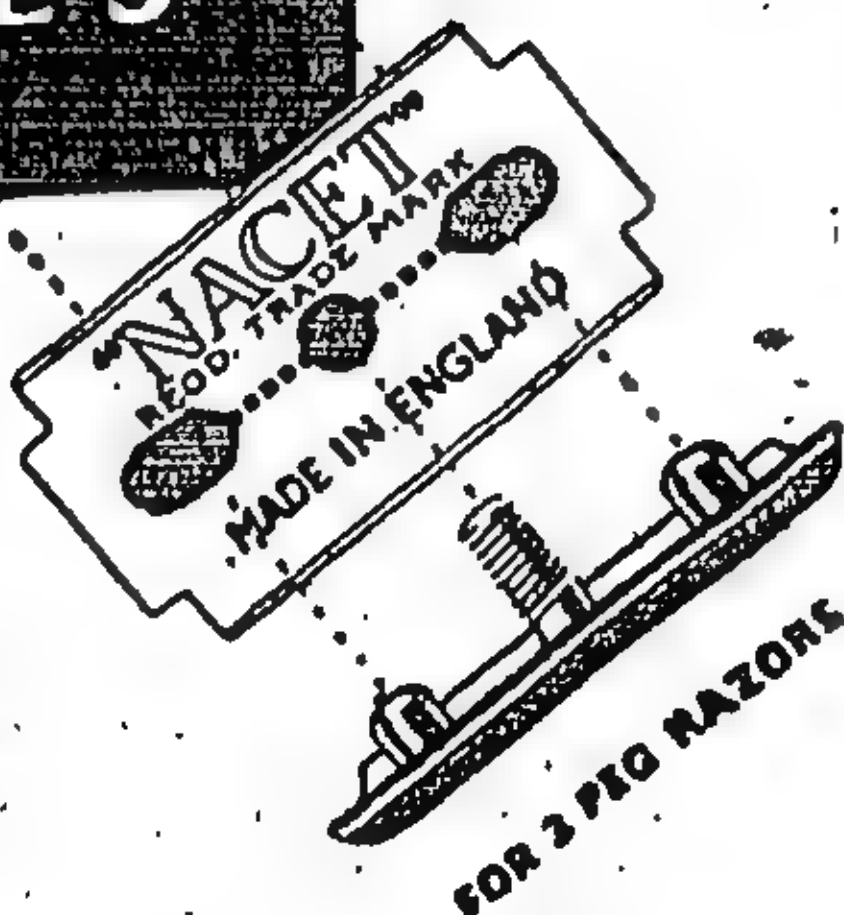
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SENSELESS ACTION

THE repeated Japanese bombing attacks on Chungking have lately been of increasing viciousness, and though the civilian population has not suffered more than usual, the so-called "safe" zone and the Embassy and foreign press quarter have been struck several times, injuries and damage being inflicted.

The British Embassy, and the foreign press hostel nearby, have always been outside the "safe" zone which is on the south bank of the river and comprises British and American business houses, the American and French Embassies and a Chinese residential area. The British Embassy is in the heart of the Chinese city and far from any military objective—a fact which would normally secure it against attack apart altogether from the large identification it wears and which has been repeatedly revealed to the Japanese in un molested low altitude flights round the buildings.

It is significant that Mr R. A. Butler, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said in reply to a question in the Commons that it was not thought worthwhile to protest again, since His Majesty's men's views on the bombing of civilians were well known.

The unfortunate aspect of this admission seems to be that His Majesty's Government evidently does not think that its protest would carry the desired weight; that a further protest would enjoy no better reception in Tokyo than earlier notes in a similar vein. However, there is the danger that if no official cognisance is taken of the affair, a precedent is created which might lead to a sort of unofficial warfare. When Tokyo ignores the bad or good aiming of its bombers, according to whether that aim is deliberate or not, then it is tacitly approving those actions. Such a state of affairs leads to the undermining of confidence between Governments, often followed by "misunderstandings" and deliberate antagonism.

The fact that Britain and America are assisting China has nothing to do with the constant bombing of the British Embassy at Chungking and does not excuse such wanton acts in the smallest degree. Ours is a stated and official policy and we would not stoop to such underhand aggravation of an already tense situation as "accidental" bombing. If the Japanese Air Force are really so bad that Tokyo must apologise for their inaccuracy then that is one more reason why Japan should not seek more enemies. If, on the other hand, their aim is deliberate, then Japan does infinite harm

It cannot be denied that the worship men bestow upon money is one of the fundamental causes of war, and if we are to erect a saner world we shall have to break down this false god.

THE GOD WE WORSHIP

By the Rev.

W. ROWLAND JONES

Vicar of Denton, Manchester

WE worship to-day not God but Gold. The temples of this false god are erected at innumerable street corners. He claims the most desirable sites.

Houses for the workers cannot be erected, homes for the aged cannot be built, but these rich temples for the god we worship never cease to spring up.

He is a god who thrives on sacrifice. Best of all, he likes human sacrifice. Wars are fought at his behest.

When he speaks the armies march and the squadrons fly; upon their tribute to him their very strength depends.

He is a ruthless god, and a sickle one. He will raise men to great dignity, and then, by a turn of his merciless wheel, he will cast them off, and trample them in the mire.

Yet they go on worshipping him.

He has his own High Priests, who speak mystic words in his praise. "If you are not initiated," they tell us, "you will not understand. The rites and the ritual are not for the common herd. It is beyond their comprehension—how dare they presume to know? That is our province!"

The Churches, who pretend to worship the true God, are slaves to this false god, who is known by many names, though his chief votaries usually call him High Finance.

His millions of worshippers are less reverend, and prefer more homely names. In my part of the country they call this honoured deity by the familiar title, "Brass!"

The Gold God

Jesus spoke always of Mammon, and He said that it was impossible to be a worshipper of Mammon, and, at the same time, a worshipper of God.

You can't serve God and Gold.

But the followers of Jesus have never quite learnt that lesson. I used to attend Church Conferences at one time, but we heard so much about money and so little about men's souls, so much of Mammon and so little of Christ, that I decided to give up attending.

I still have letters from the Diocese about it. Every one of the letters asks for more and more money.

I find that the Church of England is a very wealthy Church. Its money comes from ground rents on public houses, race-courses, dog-tracks, and from its much poorer property.

The money is not refused, although the Bishops and clergy have so much to say about gambling and drinking.

This absorption with money has turned the Church of England into a vast money-raising institution which provides an economic security for a huge army of clerks, secretaries, typists and lawyers, to say nothing of clerical officials.

to her own integrity. Incidents of this kind simply strengthen the bonds between Britain and China.

It is ironical that pamphlets, urging that immediate peace between China and Japan would lead to peace throughout all Asia, were dropped with the bombs. That is another subterfuge that could well be dispensed with.

Never before did actions speak so much louder than words.



I do not think that Jesus meant His followers to maintain an organisation like that, and to call it by His sacred name.

The snare of money enslaves the Church. Our devotion to this yellow god we worship is shown in our common speech.

"What did you make?" asked a man in the market-place. He did not mean, "What service did you give to humanity?" He meant, "How much more money were you able to bank?"

A mourning party stood outside my church. "How much did he leave?" asked a bystander. He did not inquire how things, the Church surrendered the benefit of mankind. He sure of the world.

Men no longer think it is wrong to charge interest on money. Consequently I am staggered to discover that out of 8s. 6d. charged as Income Tax, 8s. goes to interest and debt charges with only 6d. available for State services.

No doubt High Finance will be able to explain that away in the interest of the god it worships and serves.

The measure of our worship of this false god—Mammon—was never so clearly revealed as in the poster which is being used to boost our War Savings Weeks: "Men are giving their lives; will you not lend your money?"

When we want men's lives for war we do not hesitate to take them.

When we want men's money, we borrow it, if they are prepared to lend—and even for that privilege we are prepared to pay them.

Yes, I am sure. I am right! Mammon is the god we worship.

The biggest obstacle will be found in the common idea that finance is a complicated and mysterious thing which only the brains of high financiers can fathom.

Men always prefer to worship a god who is surrounded by mystery, and that is the reason why those who find personal gain by men's slavery to Mammon instil in our minds how inscrutable and complicated are the rules which govern our monetary system.

The only purpose I can see in money is as a means to enable inhabitants of a country to buy all they wish of what they make and import.

It therefore seems obvious that the total amount of money should bear a direct relationship to produce and goods.

It also seems obvious to me that every man, woman and child in a country should have sufficient money to provide them with the necessities of life, and a little over for recreation.

The high financier, of course, will shake his head wisely, and say something which really means, "You poor mutt! Do you really think that is possible? It's far more complicated than that."

It may or may not be, but emphatically I say this: The lives of thousands of my fellow countrymen are turned into misery and struggle and wretchedness in the ceaseless, soul-destroying effort to make more money.

Women's lives are turned into an agony trying to pay the family budget on too small an allowance.

I cannot get them to take an interest in God because they are perpetually harassed by shortage of money to obtain what

DRESS AND GOSSIP

THE GENERAL MANAGER of the Glasgow Corporation Transport Department has issued to the women conductors on his undertaking a leaflet which purports to give advice to these ladies on the daring subject of dress and deportment. We have no doubt that the instruction given is necessary if efficiency is to be kept up to a reasonably high average, but it is unfortunate that such efficiency should have to be attained at the expense of two of women's most highly-prized attributes, the expression of their personality by those individual touches to their attire which require no patent rights because they can never be duplicated, and that friendly gossip in which it is the inalienable right of women to indulge.

If we have not completely dissipated the learning which was forced upon our unwilling minds many years ago we might quote the Latin poet Ovid, who knew a great deal about the psychology of dress. "Pars Minima est ipsa puella sui," said that Roman expert, and the broad translation that "a girl is the least part of herself," while owing a great deal to poetic licence, has sufficient truth left in it to be worth remembering even in these regimented and materialistic days.

The uniformed ladies on the Glasgow vehicles may all conform to the dicta which insists that the hat must be worn forward on the brow; that the shape of the hat must not be altered; that the hair must be dressed to clear the coat collar; but even within the narrow limits left to their personality and flair for dress effects will make themselves felt, and we pity the poor male who will be called upon to give judgment when any of the conductresses are "on the mat" for breaches of the dress regulations. He will require the wisdom of Solomon and the dress sense of a Paquin.

BUT MOST OF ALL do we regret the admonishment to the ladies not to gossip with passengers. Who among us has not had the pleasant experience of having a journey shortened by the jocularity of a conductor, or by listening in to his comments on events which may be convulsing either his immediate world or the greater world beyond?


The irrepressibility of the Cockney bus conductor is a byword; he actually brightened the already bright life of the Metropolis in those far-off days when there was light, and even now his merry gossip is sometimes the only light-thing on a darkened journey. How much more then could we enjoy the prattle of a Scots lassie over the weary stretch, say, from Parkhead to Shettleston?

IF NIGHTINGALES ARE PERMITTED in Berkeley Square surely Mr R. F. Smith will not insist on silence in Sauchiehall Street. We sympathise with him on the necessity of having to make rule on the dress and deportment of his women conductors, but may we plead on their behalf, and perhaps also on behalf of the more human of the passengers for whom he caters, that the rules be interpreted with a liberality through which personality may toss its dainty little head.—From "Passenger Transportation Journal."

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



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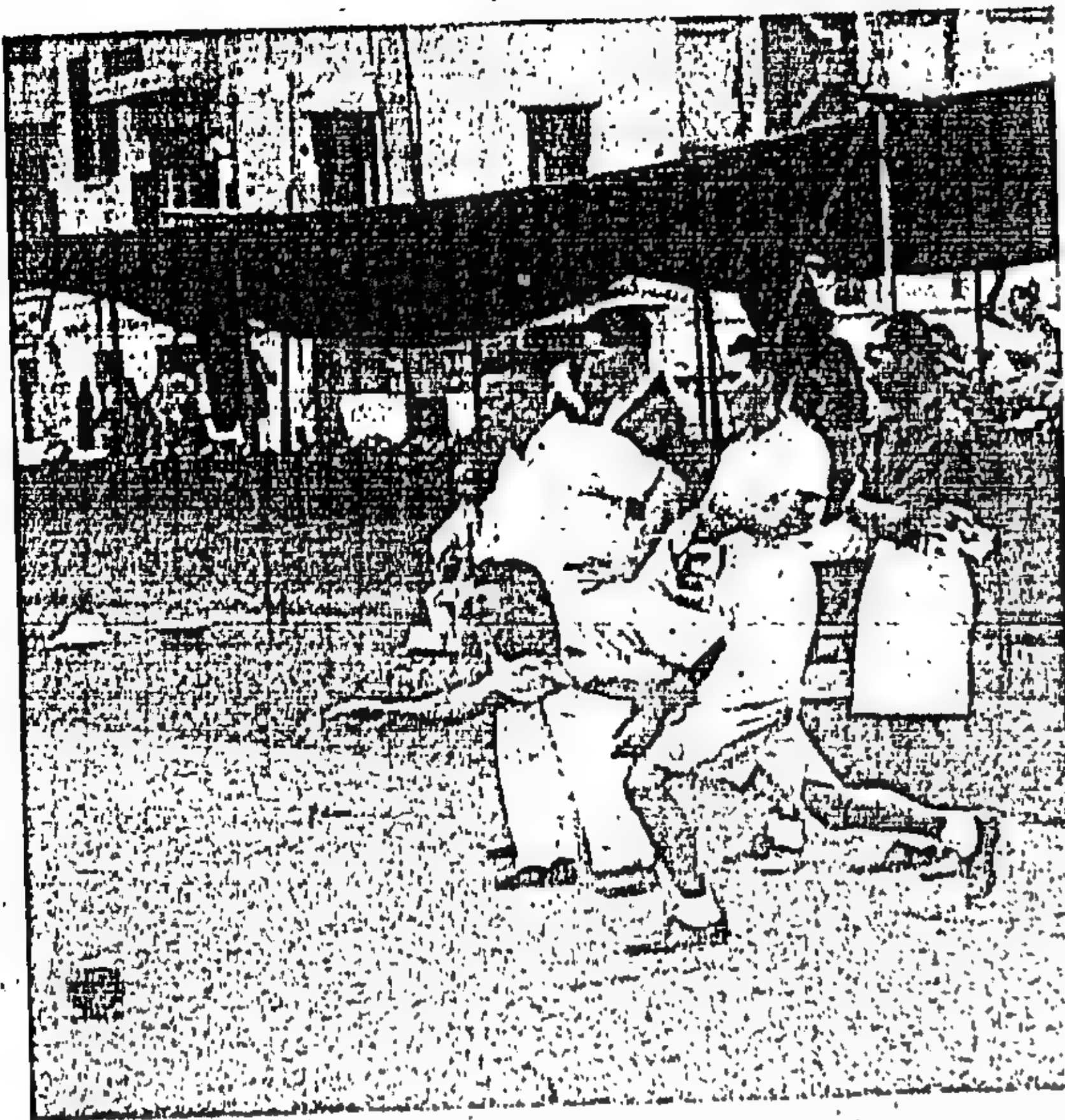
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"WICK'S" BOWLS NOTES

Craigengower Should Regain League Title

Recreio "A" Beaten By Surprising Margin: Set-Back For Indian R.C.



Though C. E. Marques (bowling) is in the same rink, L. C. R. Sousa (C.C.C.), J. W. Leonard (C.C.C.), J. A. Luz (Recreio "A") and J. F. V. Ribeiro (Recreio) seem to find greater interest in the happenings on the rink next door.

Ming Yuen.

HOME TEAMS had a field day in the Lawn Bowls League last week. Without exception, visiting teams were on the losing side, the most notable result being the 5-0 victory scored by Craigengower C.C. over the champions, Recreio "A".

Biggest Defeat In Years

Though I had expected the Valley team to win, I did not think that they would do it with a margin of 27 shots or that they would be up on all three rinks. It was the biggest thrashing Recreio "A" had had in many years.

With this victory, Craigengower C.C. are set for the championship which they last won in 1936. Already they are one point ahead of Recreio "A" with two matches in hand—a very strong position indeed.

The start of this match gave no indication of its eventual one-sidedness. R. F. Luz, drawn against C. S. Rosset, ran away with a lead of nine shots and as there was very little in it in the other two rink games, a fairly even tussle seemed likely.

But a complete metamorphosis came over the game when Rosset's rink scored 24 shots without reply from Luz and turned a 9-9 deficit into a 24-9 lead.

U. M. Omar also ran away from "Spuggy" Silva, thanks to steady play by his front men, of whom the two younger Omars were especially good.

An Even Fight

ON the third rink, there was an even fight between B. W. Bradbury and Carlos Silva. The latter returned to the team specially for this all-important game and despite his lack of practice, he revealed flashes of his old form although he was not altogether at his best.

The final score on this rink was 24-16, but it might have been much closer. When the last head was played, Bradbury was leading 20-16. Joe Luz sent down two beautiful woods and C. E. Marques added another.

But A. E. Coates, Bradbury's No. 3, reacted on the back for the shot. Johnny Ribeiro and Carlos Silva both had bad luck in their attempts to take this shot, and in the end they had to concede four shots on this head as the result of taking out three second shots one after another!

Chief credit in Craigengower's victory must go to Rosset's rink for their splendid recovery. After a shaky start, all four played well to a man. L. Gadd, promoted for this match, deserves special men-

tion for his great consistency. U. M. Omar conceded a seven against "Spuggy" Silva when leading 25-11, but the Valley players were in no danger of defeat then. Still, it was the first time in many years that the champion had given away such a count in a League match.

ON the adjoining green, the Police continued their winning streak with a fine victory over the Indians. True, Jack Shepherd's hitherto unbeaten rink bowed to A. R. Dallah's by nine shots, but Wally Mair and Jack Fender saw the side through by beating A. K. Minu and M. R. Abbas respectively.

Shepherd's men were always up against it against Dallah's four, who were playing at the top of their form. The Indian rink were three shots to the good at tea time but a five and six on two heads gave them a substantial lead which they maintained to the end.

Wally Mair was always ahead of Minu, while Fender, after being 16-10 on the 17th head with Abbas, ran away in the last few heads to win by six shots.

In the last head of the day—between Shepherd and Dallah—the Indians were one shot down. Harris drew a lovely wood and Dall sealed the Indians' fate by drawing two more.

A. H. Rumjahn, Dallah's No. 3, who had been playing splendidly throughout the afternoon, failed to alter the position, and Dallah was twice narrow, leaving the Police with three shots on this head and victory by four shots in all.

The return of J. Forrest, J. Orem and J. C. Fender to the team has strengthened the Police considerably. All three were fairly steady on Saturday, and a little more practice will probably weld them into a formidable rink as they have E. G. Post playing No. 1.

THE new Kowloon C.C. combinations are working well. They followed up their victory over the Indians the week before by trouncing the Civil Servants on Saturday by two rinks to one. Tommy Madar's being the only one to lose.

"Teddy" Fincher, after breaking his "duck" the previous week, scored another win, this time at the expense of E. W. Simmonds, and N. J. Bebbington continued his good work as skip by piloting a rink for the first time. The K.B.C.C. men won by 25-11, thus giving his side one point.

IN the Second Division, Craigengower C.C. lost valuable ground in the race for championship honours as the result of their 5-0 defeat by Prison Officers' Club at Stanley. It was a bad day for them as even Tommy Lock, who has been doing so well of late, also lost.

Kowloon Tong made amends for their previous week's lapse by taking four points from Kowloon C.C. and are in a sound position.

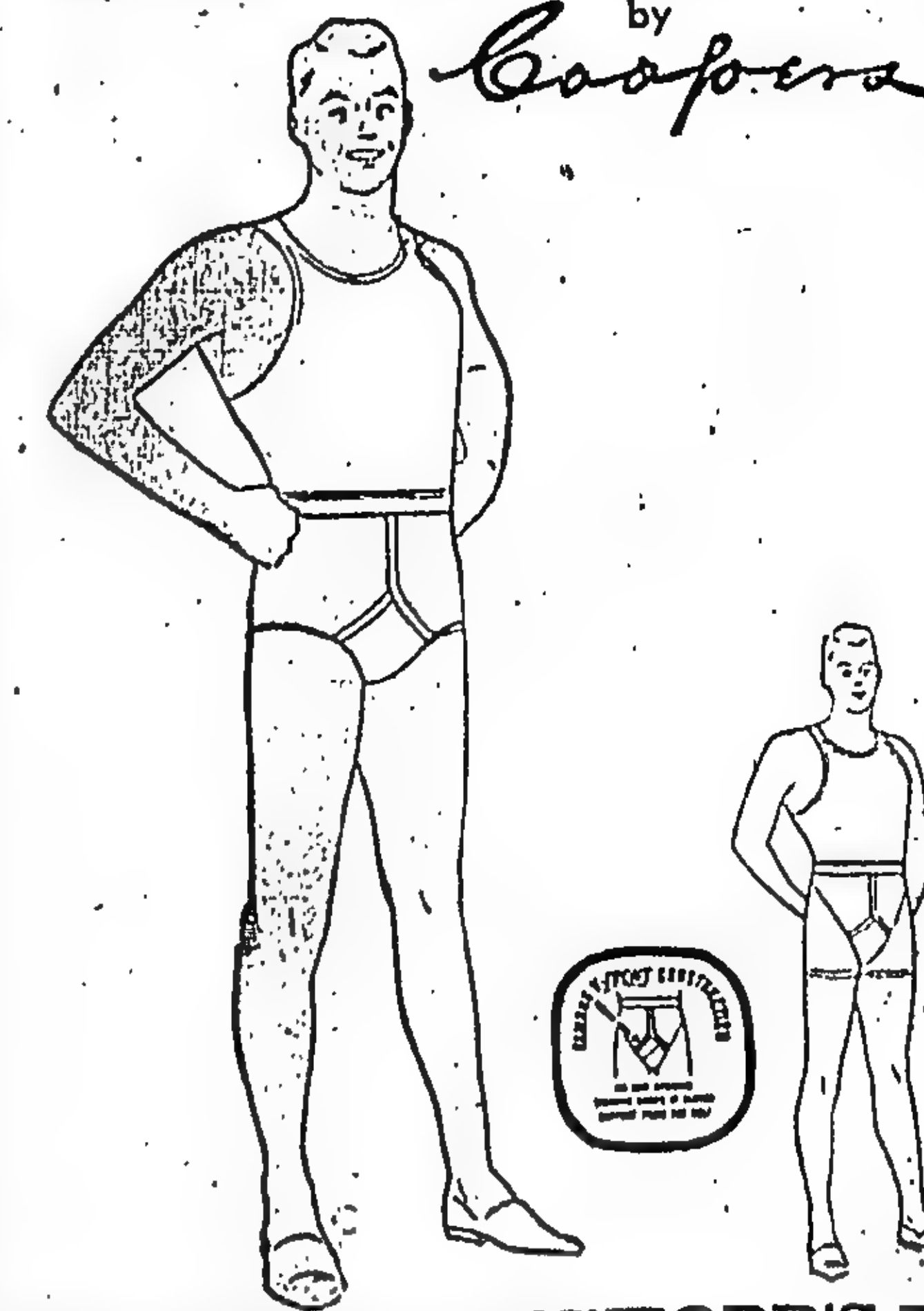
IN the Third Division, the leading teams won, but while Kowloon B.G.C. scored a clean sweep against Craigengower, the Indians only managed to win on one rink and tie in another, and were somewhat fortunate to win the aggregate points by one shot.

The K.B.G.C. are 2½ points ahead of the Indians from the same number of matches played, and the return game between the two sides will go a long way towards deciding the championship in this division.

RAIN has been the bug-bear of the Open Championships to date. Last Sunday's matches in the Rinks were of course washed out, and the Pair, which are still in the first round stage, have made very little progress.

Those who have yet to play off their matches should avail themselves of the first dry day to have them played.

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ACHTUNG, HAWKINS! ACHTUNG!

"I say, Hawkins, you might be more careful. You nearly had me over the banisters."

"I'm very sorry, Sir. I had not anticipated your arrival in — er — one fell swoop, if I may coin a phrase. In fact, Sir, I didn't know you were up."

"My good man, I've been up since cockcrow. The clocks were striking eight as I sprang from my Spartan box spring mattress."

"Indeed, Sir."

"Yes, Hawkins. Indeed! Indeed! Indeed! I suppose you think I ought to have a roaring headache and a taste in my mouth like cold dinner knives?"

"Well, Sir, now that you press me, you were out rather late last night."

"Of course I was. Didn't get back till three. But I drank nothing but 'Gimlets.' And now I'm feeling as fit as one of those culinary what's-its-names."

"Trivets, Sir. I'm not surprised, Sir. Rose's Lime Juice possesses therapeutic properties which..."

"Confound you, Hawkins. You know all the answers!"



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Annual F.A. Meeting Approves New Rules Maximum Admission Charges

EXCEPT FOR ALTERATION to the period of time to be allowed returned touring teams before filing a statement of accounts, the important proposals of the F. A. Council, which were submitted to the annual general meeting of members last night, were passed without opposition.

It was also decided that future maximum admission charges to any match would be \$2.

Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, President, was in the chair, supported by Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Cmdr. Millet and Mr. W. Pryde (Vice-Presidents).

Reviewing the year, the President said:

The net profit of \$1,431.59 is highly satisfactory. It was a matter of regret that owing to the political situation Shanghai was unable to come for the annual inter-

The financial results of annual matches have been fully set out in the report and I feel sure every member will be proud of the fact that, through the instrumentality of such matches, \$20,274.48 has been donated to charities.

New Officers

The following officers were elected: President, Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith; Vice-President (Civilian), Mr. W. Pryde; Vice-President (Chinese), Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo; Vice-President (Vice), Col. L. A. Kowloon; Chairman of Council, Mr. Wong Ka-tsun; Representative of Second and Third Divisions, Mr. C. Gungong.

Touring Finances

Referring to the rule which required that clubs making tours must submit a financial statement within 14 days of their return, Mr. W. E. Hollands said he had tested that the period be extended to two months. He said a team on tour generally left the day after the last match and consequently it was impossible to file a financial statement within 14 days as it had to await the return of that game.

Mr. Mok Hing supported Mr. Hollands, saying a team might have to wait even more than two months.

Mr. Lo suggested that the rule be extended to 21 days, subject to extension by the Council. This was approved.

Team Strength

Concerning the rule which required clubs to play their full strength, Mr. J. McKelvie observed that the matter was entirely up to the clubs and had nothing to do with the Association. Mr. Mok expressed the view that as only amateur football was played it was up to the players to appear. Mr. Wong Ka-tsun said the rule was followed by amateur clubs in England.

Mr. J. Skinner pointed out that although players were amateurs, gate receipts were taken and therefore it was only fair to the public that a club should be at full strength.

Mr. Lo suggested that the wording be changed in order to give the Council all the right to call upon any club for an explanation as to why the full team was not played. The rule, as it stood, he said, placed rather too big a burden on clubs. Mr. Pryde pointed out that the Council would call for an explanation only if they had very good reason.

Mr. W. Glover proposed that the rule, as it stood, be put to the vote. This was agreed to.

Cmdr. Millet pointed out the position of the Navy, saying it was sometimes very difficult for them to play a full team and that under the rule they would have to give an explanation. He was assured by the President that no explanation would be called for in their case.

Maximum Admission Fee

In connection with the rule fixing the maximum charge for admission at \$1, Mr. Skinner suggested that this be

Programme For Inter-Departmental Gala To-morrow

The Government Inter-Departmental Swimming Gala, which was postponed from last Monday, will be held to-morrow night in the European Y.M.C.A. swimming pool, with post entries, commencing at 7 p.m.

Commodore (Captain) A. C. Collinson, R.N., will be the Referee and other distinguished guests who are expected to be present are H. E. Major-General A. E. Gressett, Sir Athol McGregor and Lady MacGregor and the Commissioner of Prisons.

The total receipts are in aid of the South China Morning Post Bomber Fund and admission is by ticket only, at \$1.50 each.

Programme

The following is the programme: Plain Diving: 50 yards free-style; 50 yards free-style for Government women; 100 yards medley (teams of four); back, breast, side and free; Veterans (40 and over) 50 yards free-style; 50 yards back-stroke; Hospital Sisters 100 yards free-style relay (teams of four); 25 yards each, open to Queen Mary Hospital, Kowloon Hospital, V.A.D. and St. Andrew's (A.D.) 50 yards Breast stroke; Water polo (European Y.M.C.A. v. Government); 200 yards free-style invitation; Relay (Combined Government, Combined Services "A", Combined Services "B", Combined Hong Kong and European Y.M.C.A.); 25 yards Breast stroke; 50 yards Breast stroke; Novelty (Nightlight and candle race); Inter-Departmental 100 yards free-style relay (teams of six).

Gala Postponed

The swimming gala scheduled for the Chinese Bathing Club last night to select a team to meet Victoria Recreation Club was postponed to July 13 at 3 p.m.

Another gala will be held on July 19 at 7 p.m.

raised to \$2. He said a cheaper price would attract too big a crowd with resultant damage to the stands.

The suggestion was opposed by Capt. R. E. Guest, who said the public should not be exploited. At the moment, there was no fixed maximum and any club could charge whatever it liked for a good thing. This was hardly fair to the public in general and servicemen in particular.

Lieut-Comdr. G. S. Hugh-Jones observed that the question of gate money was entirely a matter of business for the clubs concerned. They were the best judges for the happy medium.

Capt. Guest proposed that the maximum charge be fixed at \$2 and servicemen \$1.

Mr. Skinner said it would be better to leave the question of charging servicemen to the clubs because they had always given them a fair deal. After Mr. Pryde had spoken in similar vein, Capt. Guest withdrew his proposal, and the rule was passed with the maximum charge fixed at \$2 instead of \$1.

The rule relating to the maximum charge for admission to field matches was also amended to \$2 instead of \$1.

Efforts To Revive British Lawn Tennis Exhibitions And Tours

LONDON (UP).—Efforts are being made to put some life in British lawn tennis, which has been badly affected by the war.

QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT SCORES FOR P.G.A.

LOS ANGELES, July 9 (Reuters).

The qualifying round for the first round of the Professional Golf Association's match play tournament was played at Denver, Colorado, to-day.

The first six of the 64 qualifiers are: Sam Snead 69, 69, 138; E. J. Harrison 69, 71, 139; Ben Hogan 71, 69, 140; Jimmie Hearn 68, 140; Henry Hanson 71, 69, 140; George Fazio 70, 70, 140.

Cycle Time Trial Arranged By Chinese "Y"

A bicycle time-trial, open to the Colony and under the auspices of the Chinese Y.M.C.A., was held at Tsun Wan yesterday.

Thirty-seven competitors were sent away at intervals of one minute and it was over an hour before the last cyclist left.

Miss Hung Siu-chu, the first competitor to be sent away, at 9.34 a.m., was the second to complete the course. Her time was 2 hrs 18 mins 55 secs. This time is subject to a final check.

A. J. S. Sandberg, of La Salle College, who was second off the start, was the first to return and he took 2 hrs 20 mins 21 secs to cover the 25 miles course.

Results

The first 10 competitors to finish, with their starting and finishing times given in brackets, were:

Miss Hung Siu-chu (0.24/11.52.55); A. J. S. Sandberg (0.20/11.17.21); Pun Yiu-hung (0.24/11.22.00); Kwong Chuk-chun (0.22/11.05.10); Loung Kai-to (0.22/11.04.10); Tam Kwan-san (0.24/11.01.49); Young Chung sam (0.25/11.22.54); Lee Hing-lau (0.27/11.14.41); Chan Sin-yau (0.28/11.35.50); Chan Kam-chung (0.30/11.32.21); Kwong Fook-chun (0.31/11.49.59); Chan Pook-ming (0.34/11.30.40); Lau Kam-pak (0.38/11.58.41); Leung Yuk-tong (0.37/11.47.50); Ip Wing-kin (0.32/11.41.17).

Plans have been made to send a team of professionals round the country to entertain troops, instruct in schools and revive the clubs during the summer.

The scheme, like the similar scheme adopted by the amateurs to tour the country with exhibitions, was evolved by the sports committee of the British Red Cross, and not by the governing body of the game.

L.T.A. Contribution

IT is understood, however, that the Lawn Tennis Association, which is the governing body, will contribute toward the expenses.

Stanley Rous, Football Association secretary, who has done so much for other sports as honorary secretary of the Red Cross committee is making this attempt to revive interest in tennis.

A regular visitor to Wimbledon in peace-time, he always occupied a seat in the box reserved for distinguished visitors on the big days of championship meetings.

Headed by Pilot-Officer Dan MacKell, the Wimbledon coach, who has arranged to visit a school at Weston-super-Mare, near Bristol, the team of professionals will go anywhere—providing they receive a donation for the Red Cross Sports Fund.

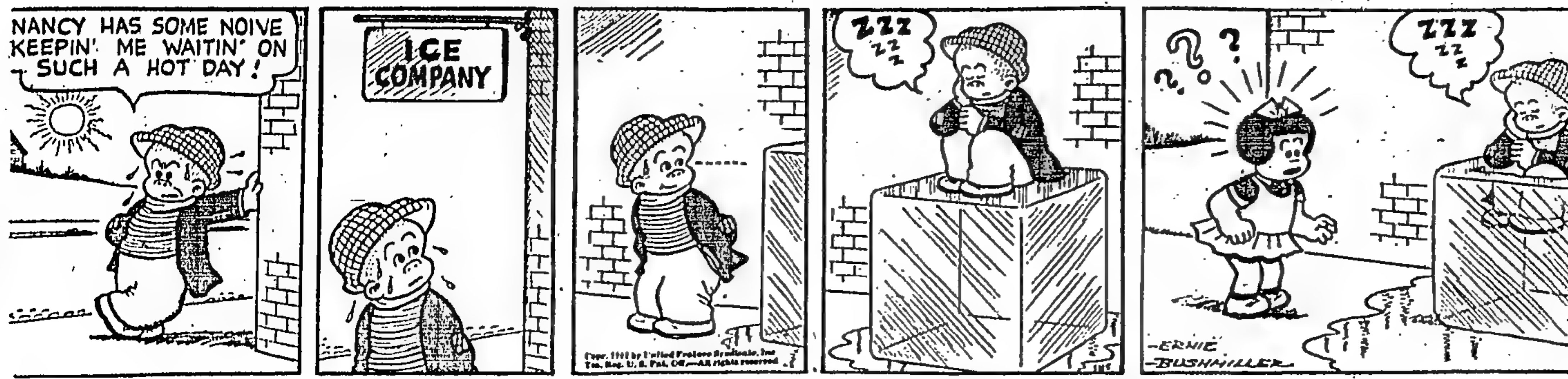
Exhibition Matches

EXHIBITION matches by Wimbledon players, including Kay Menzies, Jan Nicol, Peggy Vivian, Billie Yorke, Margaret Lamb, Joan Ingram, Freda Hammersley and Gem Honihing, have been arranged as part of the plan.

Country secretaries have been invited to organise junior championships, the winners to play in Junior Tournament at a centre to be arranged later.

NANCY

By Ernie Bushmiller



BARMAIDS FAIL TO GET EXEMPTION

Alcohol As A Pain-Killer

LONDON, July 8 (UP).—It is just as necessary to keep British beer glasses filled as to fill the nation's shells, pub owners contended to-day in attempting to gain exemption from the Ministry of Labour industrial call-up for their barmaids.

"The amenities provided at licensed houses do more to keep the people cheerful and confident than anything else," E. Sharp, Chairman of the North-west London Licensed Victuallers Association, declared. "The young women who wait behind the bars and at the lunch tables are doing real national service. They are bright and efficient in their attendance upon the public."

The Ministry of Labour, however, refused to see it that way. A spokesman commented: "Preserving cheerfulness is a peach of an argument, but somebody must ask whether old barmaids cannot fill the role just as cheerfully."

Analgesic Boost

The British medical journal "Lancet" gave an analgesic boost to the cup-that-cheers, confirming that as a pain-killer, ethyl alcohol has a greater effect than aspirin.

"This remarkable advantage of alcohol over aspirin," is worthy of note by pharmacologists, who, in the laboratory at any rate, have scarcely done justice to the virtues of a double whisky," the journal declared. "The Lancet" added, however, that "aspirin may reasonably be regarded as the best universal analgesic that has yet been evolved."

Arthur Wheatland of Brondesbury came up with a new one at the Clerkenwell police court the other day after pleading guilty to a charge of driving while under the influence of liquor. He explained to the judge that a bartender gave him Irish whisky instead of Scotch whisky and that the difference in strength threw him. His fine amounted to a little more than £12.

Plain, ordinary tap-water got Henry Nash of Bristol in trouble costing him £7 in fines. To prevent a leak in a water pipe from flooding his scullery, Nash let a tap running for two months in his house at Bartonhill. He was accused of wasting 167,000 gallons of water during this time. Nash said part of the blame should be levied on Hitler—most of the city's plumbers are now doing war work.

Italian Officers Executed

ITALIAN officers, court-martialed for inefficiency in the Albanian campaign, were executed by firing squads. This was learned from statements of Italian prisoners.

Some of the officers were said to have inflicted wounds on themselves so that they could be invalided home.

Trawlers' Golden Harvest

Demand For Fish Alters Value Of Catch

LONDON, July 8 (UP).—£10,000 for a single catch was realized by an Icelandic trawler skipper who unloaded a record 36,000 stone of fish at a British port recently.

A golden harvest has fallen to "Trawlertown," a fishing port "somewhere in England" and skippers and mates may earn more than Cabinet ministers.

Deck hands, the lowest paid members of a trawler's crew, are averaging £10 to £12 "all found" for a ten days' trip. Sometimes they make between £30 and £40.

£5 A Day

A trawler's mate in a court case recently was said to be earning £5 a day. Skippers and mates who do not make £20 a week are "not trying," as one fisherman put it.

The reason for this golden harvest is not that wages have increased, but that the demand for fish has enormously altered the value of their shares in the catch.

Dutch, Belgian, French, Danish, Norwegian and Icelandic fishermen are all sharing in the golden harvest.

Wristlet Radio Set Tested

LONDON, July 8 (UP).—A wristlet radio broadcasting set to help rescuers to locate people trapped beneath wreckage is being tested by the Home Office in London.

Anyone wearing the instrument, which weighs six ounces and is three inches in diameter, can send out oscillations on a fixed wavelength by slight pressure on a celluloid strip.

The oscillations can be picked up on an ordinary portable radio set, and rescuers equipped with a direction coil will be able to locate the trapped person.

The radio wrist watch has been devised by a lieutenant in the Polish Army and I. Solar, an electrical engineer, of Dunfermline, Scotland.



NAZIS STRAFE IRELAND—Hitler's airmen, flying high over North Ireland, looted their bombs and this is resultant scene, presumably in Belfast. Wing of hospital has been cleft from top to bottom.

"Lost Colony" of 2,000 U.S. Citizens in Britain

LONDON, July 8 (UP).—Demands for an American ship to sail to Britain and repatriate more than 2,000 persons of a "Lost Colony" of stranded United States citizens have been forwarded to Washington.

Lawrence L. Tweedy, President of the American Chamber of Commerce in London and head of the American Relief Society, said he and other United States businessmen have urged Washington officials to "let down the bars of the Neutrality Act" and provide a ship with which to return the "Lost Colony" home.

Among the more than 2,000 persons remaining in wartime Britain, Tweedy said, are 60 destitute American families hard hit by closing down of their businesses because of the war. The majority of the United States citizens want to return to America for the duration. Some of them are businessmen and their families who were unable to evacuate on the last United States ships to leave the country.

Many Applications

Tweedy said that every week the American Relief Society is dealing with new applications for help. Weekly payments are being made in cases of genuine hardship.

Tie-up of all transport facilities, difficulties of war travel of its nationals on belligerent ships have prevented these people from leaving Britain. Virtually the only way they could reach America would be

through Lisbon—but thousands of applications are already on file for transportation to that city, and when Americans might find it illegal to attempt to reach Portugal by boat.

"These Americans maintain that they were not given time to join the Manhattan, the last United States ship to sail from Ireland. They had very brief notification," Tweedy explained. "They certainly did not have time to take their children away from schools, dispose of their houses and uproot themselves entirely before the ship sailed."

Waive Neutrality Act

"The Embassy in London has had more than 1,500 applications for facilities to return to America. The only way out is for Washington to allow an American ship to sail and to waive the Neutrality Act temporarily for this to be done."

Tweedy added that the United States government had, in fact, decided to do this some time ago "if the German government would declare the ship safe from attack." This agreement was not reached between the governments and the American government dropped the proposal.

Smuggling On Eire Borders

BELFAST, July 8 (UP).—South of the border, partner, there's some rustling going on and Irish officials are brushing up on western American police methods to catch "boudoir smugglers" operating between the Eire and Ulster borders.

Working on the theory that beauty is above the law, this gang of smugglers are running beauty-aid from unrationed Eire northward into Ulster. It is believed that the smugglers include a large group of women. Police already have seized large quantities of lipsticks, nail files, and cigarette lighters as well as more than 1,000 powder puffs, hundreds of bottles of perfume, 3,245 hairnets, 900 combs, 63 dozen handkerchiefs, 9,000 pairs of long bootlaces, and 4,000 pairs of shoe laces.

Evidence that the group's activities are spreading was seen in the seizure of a crate of chocolate, 17 dozen pocket knives, some onions and 3,000 clothes pins. This contraband was seized in the Scotstown area on the Tyrone border. One load of contraband was discovered in a truck carrying crates of chickens. Police of Northern and Southern Ireland are cooperating in an effort to halt the traffic.

"Blitz" Quitters Condemned

Cardiff City Fathers Roused To Wrath

CARDIFF, July 8 (UP).—The Cardiff City Council, proclaiming the use of the words "guts" and "My God" ungentlemanly, has authorized printing of 10,000 copies of a poem designed to halt the migrations of "blitz-quitters" who nightly leave the city in their cars for places of greater safety.

The "blitz-quitter" was roundly condemned by the city fathers at a recent council meeting. He was described as the man who packs hot water bottles, blankets and pillows into his car, then drives to country districts to spend the night. Authorities said that by leaving his home unguarded, the "blitz-quitter" endangered his neighborhood by not being on hand in the event of raiders setting his house afire.

Consequently, the city council studied the following poem attacking the "blitz-quitters."

Words Substituted

Council-member Sir Herbert Hiles enthusiastically approved of the poem as written. But other members disagreed. "Language of the gutter," they said. "Doggerel, not quite the thing for an official publication."

However, most of the council members agreed with Sir Herbert's statement that "I would like the chance of sticking that on certain ears that leave the city."

The opposition gained two points before the council authorized the poem's publication at city expense. It was agreed that the verse, as officially printed, would substitute the word "pluck" for "guts"—and that the council would strike out the words "My God" and replace them with "then."

Henpecked Husbands Gather

HALIFAX, Yorks, July 8 (UP).—Members of the Ancient Order of Henpecked Husbands have held their annual general meeting again and enjoyed their one day off in the year from their wives.

None of them revealed the secret meeting place. They were afraid their wives might call.

Every year in spring or early summer, the henpecked husbands of Great Britain meet somewhere in the lonely fastnesses of the Yorkshire-Lancashire moors between Halifax and Rochdale.

Few Resignations

But there are few resignations. This year, there was a larger attendance than usual. More husbands managed to dodge their wives.

They told them that they were going fire-watching, spending the day hunting cigarettes or razor-blades or were going to see a man about the income-tax.

German Pilots Rouge Cheeks

Called "Moral Deviates"

LONDON, July 8 (UP).—Some of the Luftwaffe pilots shot down in raids over Britain have waved hair and unmanly finger-nails. Some of them rouge their cheeks and paint their lips. Medical scientists call them "moral deviates."

German airmen in British prisoners-of-war camps who use rouge and face-cream have been found by Sir James Purves-Stewart, the famous neurologist.

Every one of them wore the Iron Cross. Sir James says: "This particular form of perversion abounds all over Germany. And it is encouraged. 'People of this temperament are subject to severe emotional outbursts. Then, they become ruthless and savage—which well accords with some of the examples of German air war we have had here. 'All of these men seem to belong to the officer class. The N.C.O.'s and the men seem to be quite decent."

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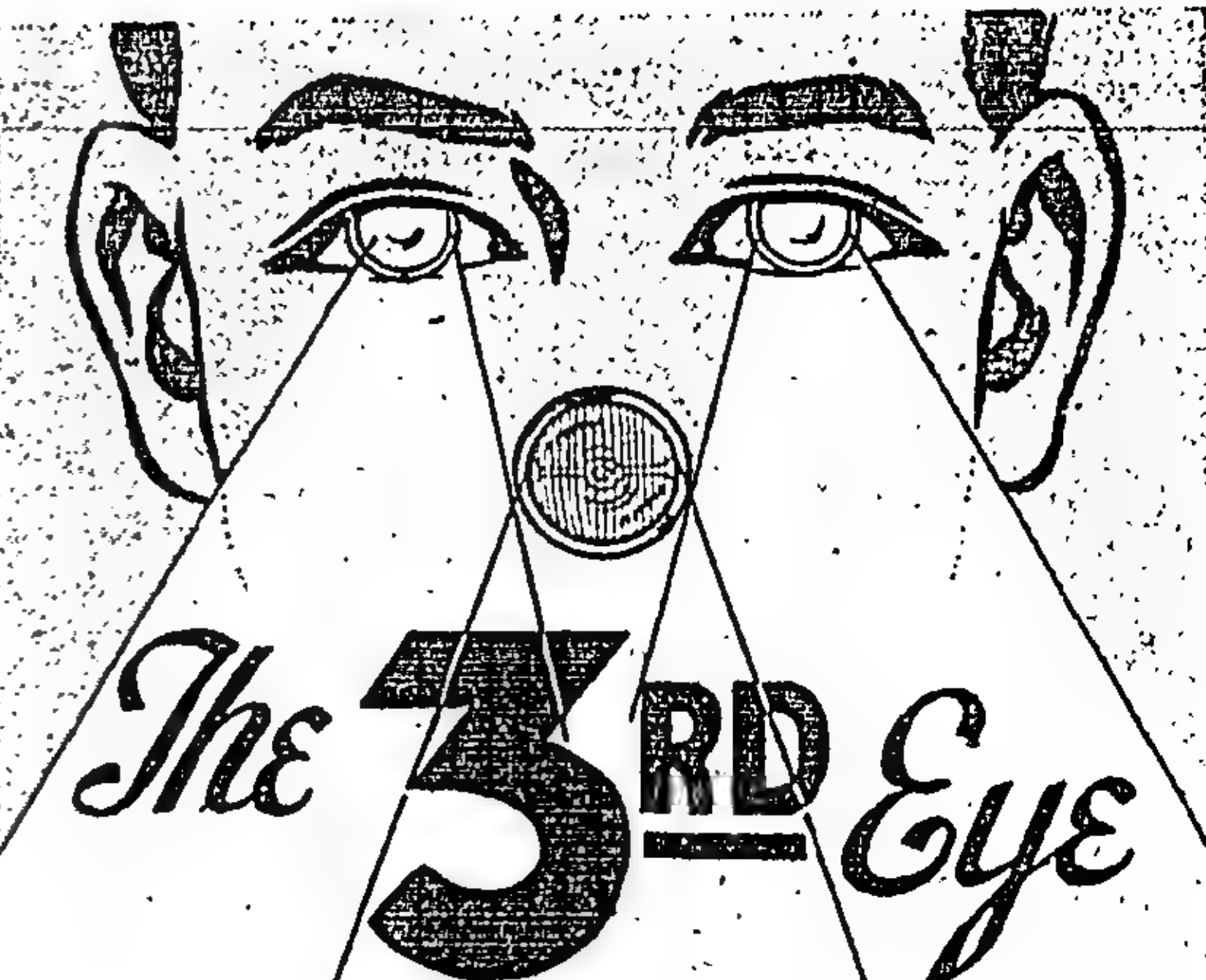


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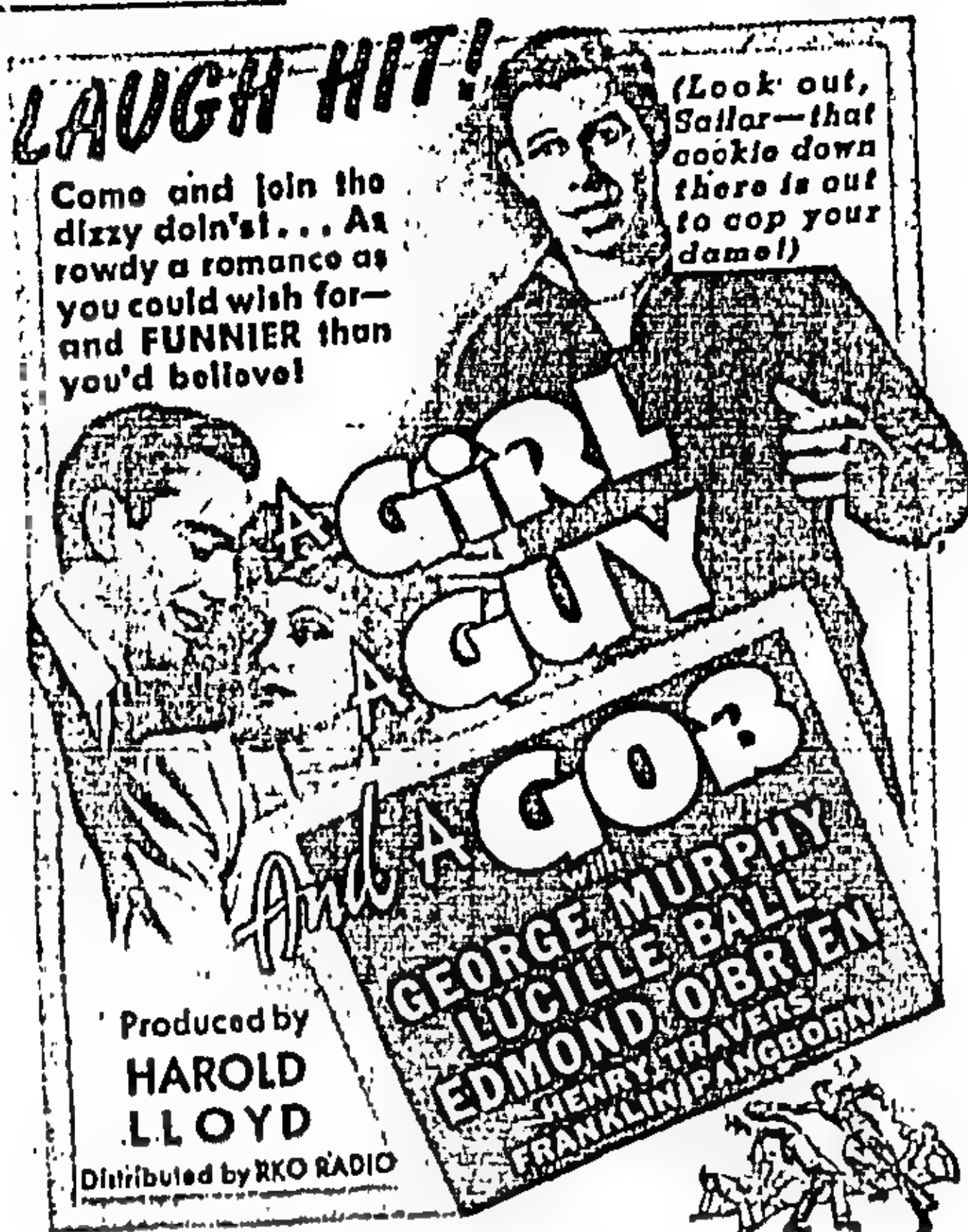


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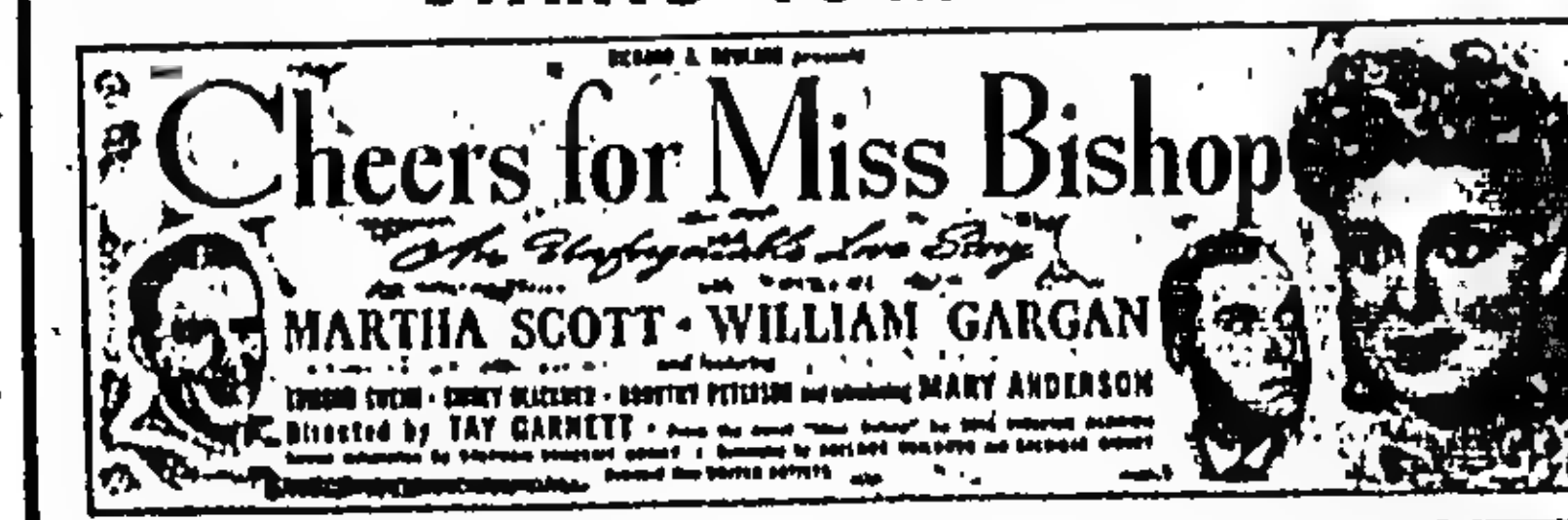


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Tanks & Aircraft Production

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there has been an almost chronic lack of the most important materials of war. The British were unable to put more than two aircraft into the air for continuous patrol during daylight. "Our tanks have not done so well against the Germans. There are not enough and they are too slow. In Greece seventy to eighty per cent of our tanks broke down before they saw the enemy."

Views Ventilated
"Reuter" says that the debate provided an occasion for those who are not satisfied that the country is achieving the maximum possible output to ventilate their views.

The Conservative member, Lieutenant Brabber, who was with the Fleet Air Arm at Crete, complained of the lack of armaments and planes, and the weakness of the tanks while Lieutenant-Commander Hopkinson asserted that none of the planes produced by Lord Beaverbrook's drive participated in the Battle of Britain.

He was assisted by Labour members when he described the Labour Minister, Mr Ernest Bevin, as an "unskilled labourer."

Munitions Minister
The Labourite, Mr G. M. Garro-Jones, urged the appointment of a Minister of Munitions with a seat in the Cabinet to "end the juggling for men and materials." He contended that the production of tanks was being delayed by countless modifications and while expressing satisfaction with British aircraft production, declared that too many types were being sent from America, resulting in hundreds lying idle and unpacked in warehouses because necessary auxiliary equipment was not available.

The Conservative member, Mr Oscar Guest, declared that it was very difficult for manufacturers to obtain clear-cut quick decisions from Government departments.

Tremendous Output
The Liberal member, Mr Geoffrey Le M. Mander, said that the enemy could draw no possible consolation from the criticism for there had been a tremendous output of war equipment of all kinds. Mr Mander continued that what they urged, however, was a still greater output.

He complained of idleness in factories due to change-over in types. Workers resented being paid for playing darts which was all that they had to do in many cases.

The Labour member, Mr D. J. K. Gibb, said that it was a scandal that at a factory which made the first tanks in Britain, only a quarter of the employees were now engaged on war production.

Lieutenant Brabber declared that in the Middle East, Crete, Libya and Syria, there was an almost chronic lack of the most important materials of war.

A. A. Guns
"We are still grievously short of anti-aircraft guns and at Malme there was a great shortage of multiple half-inch machine-guns for use against low-flying aircraft."

Lieut. Brabber continued: "Our tanks did well against the Italians but not so well against the Germans because there were not enough of them and they were too slow."

"If we could produce 20,000 aircraft, we could win the war," he declared.

Lieut-Commander Hopkinson urged competitive tenders for design and revision of the contract system, asserting that at present it paid to take 80,000 man-hours to produce an aircraft which could be produced in 20,000 man-hours. He charged Mr Ernest Bevin with incompetence in the manner in which labour is being handled.

Vichy Admits Syria Defeat

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Secretary of State, to-day stated that the American Consul-General at Beirut had acted as the transmitting agency between the British and French in efforts to secure an armistice in Syria.

He emphasised that the United States had confined their activities to transmitting notes and information.

Damour In Danger
LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—Damour, south of Beirut, Vichy's most important port, is liable to fall into Allied hands at any moment.

General Dent's request for an armistice, therefore, has caused little surprise here, where it is pointed out that from the military viewpoint, Vichy's troops are in a desperate position.

The capture of Damour would be a crippling blow because elsewhere in Syria the position of the Vichy troops is equally serious.

British Imperial troops are also threatening the remaining city of Aleppo, advancing parallel to the Istanbul-Aleppo-Baghdad railway from the southeast and east.

At the same time, Allied columns are steadily advancing at Nebec and Furgul to threaten the vital road and rail junction of Homs from the south and east.

Furthermore, Vichy troops in Jezzine are now in imminent danger of being isolated as the result of an Allied push up the coast.

Authoritative quarters consider that the recent rumours of strong Vichy reinforcements reaching Syria are largely only propaganda intended to bolster up the morale of the troops and impress the local population.

Pending the agreement of armistice terms, it is emphasised here that hostilities will continue actively.

No Animosity
LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—Mr Alfred Duff-Cooper, Minister of Information, speaking in London to-day, said that Britain had no feeling of hostility or enmity against the Frenchmen who obeyed the orders of the Vichy Government.

Only the hope that this unfortunate hostility will be forgotten as soon as possible.

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Sir Victor Sassoon, who has offered to donate £10,000 to the Bomber Fund if Hongkong subscribes an additional £100,000 by October 31.

Unceasing Raids On Nazi Industries

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"unpleasant surprises" in store for them has led the High Command of the German forces to maintain considerable forces in the west, according to the German radio.

The commentator, on to-day's High Command communiqué, the announcer declared that the enemy is not idle on this sector of the front. This is proved by his "almost daily attempt" to raid the Channel coast.

This is further proved by his nightly attacks on northwest Germany.

The central target is the "unhappy" town of Munster and "targets of military and industrial importance."

The commentator, after commiserating with citizens who might after night have lost not only sleep but often belongings and even their lives, added, "It is just as impossible to eliminate these attacks as it is impossible to eliminate artillery fire on the front."

Bethune Attacked
LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—This afternoon heavy bombers of the R.A.F., escorted by fighters, attacked the power station near Bethune, states the Air Ministry.

The target was hit by heavy bombs. During the operations, 11 enemy fighters were destroyed, one by a bomber and ten by the escort.

Seven of our fighters are missing.

NEW CHUNGKING APPOINTMENTS
CHUNGKING, July 10 (Central News).—The Executive Yuan accepted yesterday the resignation of Mr Wang Teh-po, Shensi Commissioner of Civil Affairs, and transferred Mr Peng Chao-hsien, Secretary General of the Shensi Provincial Government, to the vacant post.

The Executive Yuan also accepted the resignation of Mr Huang Chung-hsun, member of the Hupei Provincial Government, and appointed Mr Teng Chuen-shan member of the Commission on Overseas Affairs.

On Finnish Front
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ly injured in last night's Soviet air raid.

Statement in Commons
LONDON, July 9 (British Wire-les).—Finnish forces have taken part in the hostilities on Soviet territory, the Foreign Secretary stated in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr Anthony Eden added that it was untrue that H.M. Consul-General in Helsinki had been compelled by the Finnish Government to leave Finland.

Burton Wheeler's Indiscretion
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
WASHINGTON, July 9 (UP).—The White House spokesman stated to-day that Mr Winston Churchill had officially advised the United States that information on troop movements such as disclosed by Senator Burton Wheeler regarding Iceland, jeopardised the lives of British fighting men.

Viceroy Proposes Three-Week Tour
SIMLA, July 9 (Reuter).—It is announced that the Viceroy, who is anxious to renew contacts and see the progress of the war effort in and around Bombay, proposes to visit the two Presidencies, probably leaving Simla at the end of July and returning in the third week of August.

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British Forces Will Remain In Iceland

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can policy is, therefore, in complete harmony with British interest and have no reason to object to it at any time. I cannot see that we should have any grounds for taking any other attitude in view of the invitation extended to the U.S.A. by the Icelandic government.

"We still propose to retain our army in Iceland and as the British and U.S. forces will both have the same object in view, namely the defence of Iceland, it seems very likely that they will co-operate closely and effectively in resisting any attempt by Hitler to gain a footing."

Second Principle
After stating that he found "no reason for regretting the steps which the U.S. have taken in the circumstances forced upon them," Mr Churchill turned to what he understood to be the second principle which led the U.S. to the occupation of Iceland. This he thought he found in the declared will and purpose of the President, Congress and people of the United States not only to send all possible aid in munitions and supplies to Britain but also to make sure that they arrive.

U.S. Responsibility
"Here again is a course of action for which the U.S. must take full responsibility. Apart from this position, U.S. forces in Iceland will require to be sustained at sea from time to time. These consignments to American forces on duty overseas for the purpose of the U.S.A. will have to traverse very dangerous waters and as we have a very large traffic passing through these waters, it may be found in practice mutually advantageous for the two navies involved to assist each other as far as convenient in that part of the waters."

"I do not think that I need say anything further about a matter which seems so very plain and simple."

STOCK MARKET REPORT
Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary, issued yesterday is:

H.K. Bank \$1300
Bank of East Asia \$72
Indo-China (Prof) \$80
Providents \$5.85
Hotels \$3.35
Lands \$35.25
Realities \$3.20
Chinese Estates \$100
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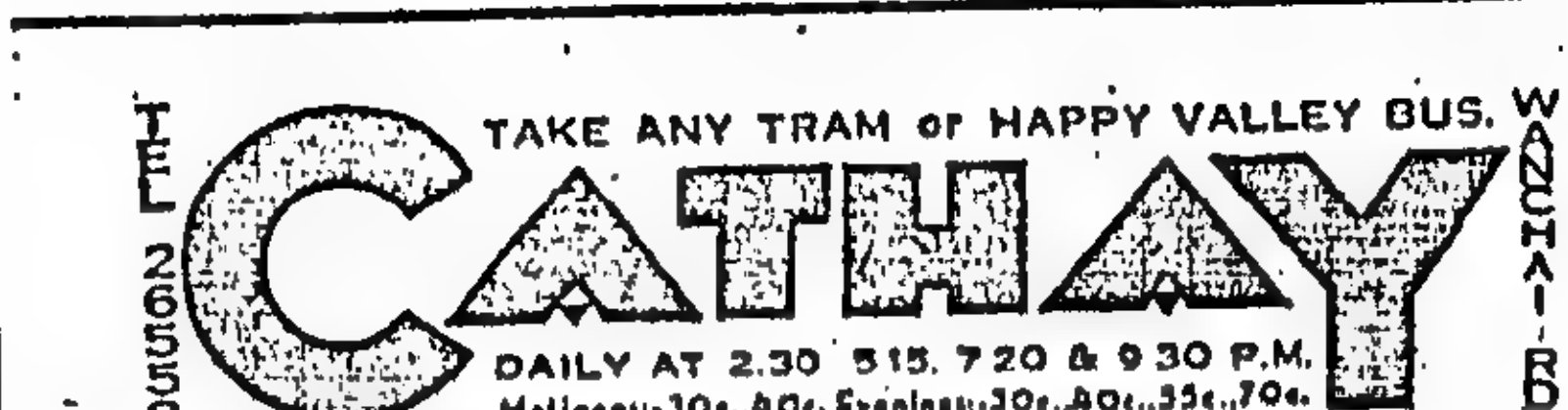
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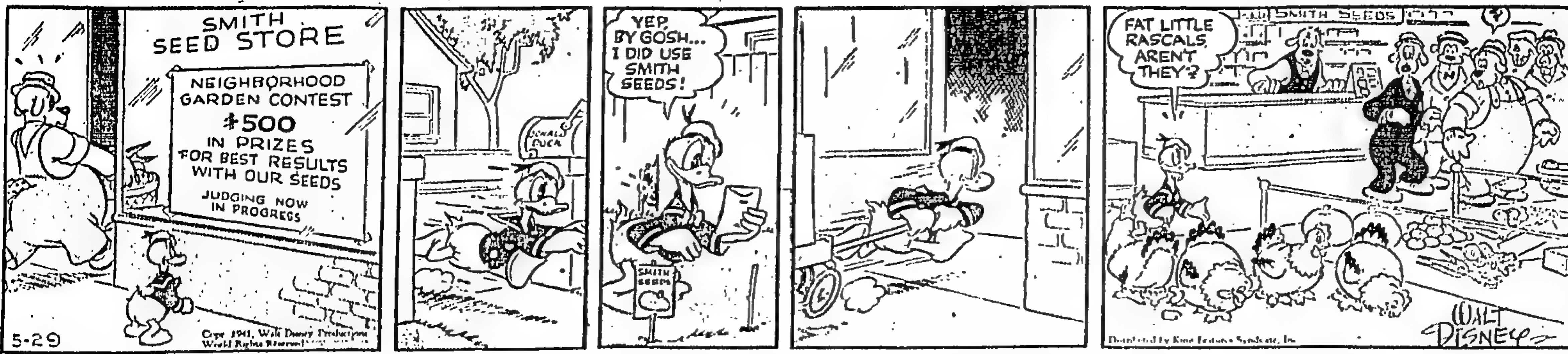
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Match-point duplicate.
West dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

♠ K1064
♥ K85
♦ QJ74
♣ 103

♠ A83
♥ 1094
♦ A8
♣ 98652

♠ Q752
♥ A832
♦ K1092
♣ J

♠ J
♥ QJ7
♦ 865
♣ AKQ74

The bidding:
West North East South
Pass Pass 1♠ 2♣
Dbl. Pass Pass Pass

Perhaps it is superfluous to point out that East's diamond bid was more psychic than honest. South's overcall, vulnerable, had no alibi whatsoever; it was just a poor bid. As to East's leave-in of the penny double, either his courage or his optimism was very high. It must be admitted, however, that he would have had to look hard for a safe takeout.

After West had opened the diamond ace and seen dummy, a diamond continuation seemed unattractive, particularly since East

had played the deuce. West correctly shifted to his top heart. Declarer won and laid down the club ace; then, when the jack fell, led a low club to dummy's ten. The heart king was cashed and then, with no convenient egress from the dummy, declarer played the diamond queen. East won and returned another diamond.

West ruffed with the club six and, without perceptible hesitation, undeveloped the spade ace. Declarer, who had carefully noted that to date East had shown only the diamond king and heart ace, hardly could fail to guess wrong at this point. He let the lead ride to his own jack. East put up the queen and returned the thirteenth heart. Declarer, seeing what was coming, threw his losing spade, but this did not avail because East then played his last diamond, thus assuring West of a trump trick.

Excellent defence — specifically West's underlead of the spade ace — had compensated for East's semi-psychic opening bid.

To-morrow's Hand

North dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

♠ AQ
♥ KQ53
♦ A10742
♣ 86

♠ 109863
♥ 7
♦ Q1054
♣ 2

♠ J54
♥ 86
♦ J9853
♣ AK7

♠ K7
♥ AQJ1042
♦ KQ
♣ J93

How should East-West defend against South's six heart contract?

Crossword Puzzle

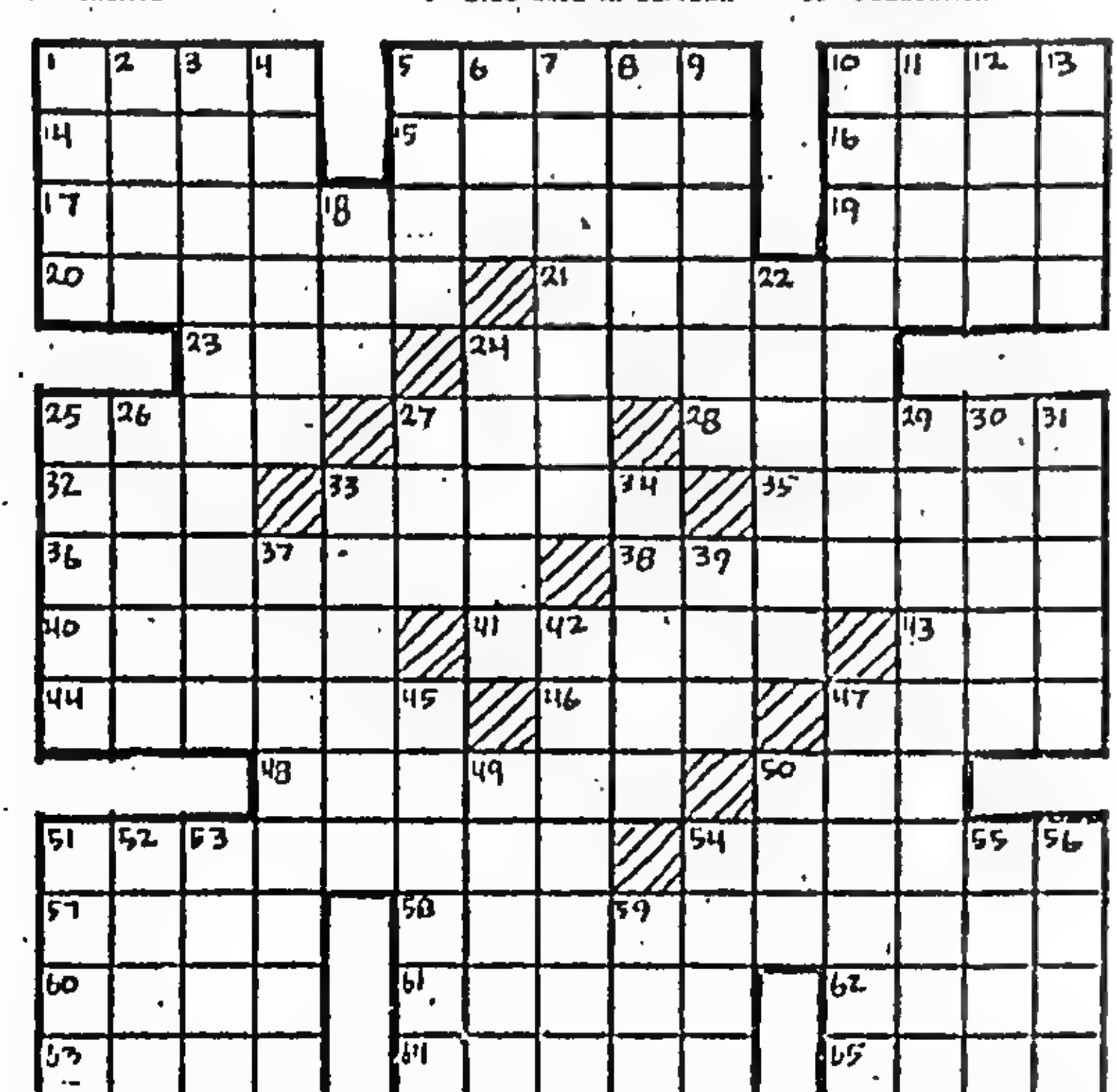
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ACROSS

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- 3—Circle of obedience
- 4—Groups of trees
- 5—Order from sky
- 6—Club used in baseball
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SHE NEVER SMILED FOR FIVE YEARS

By SYLVIA PANKHURST

Sylvia Pankhurst, former Suffragist leader and now active worker for the cause of Abyssinian freedom, has just interviewed the Empress of Abyssinia. In this interview the Empress disclosed for the first time her plans to return home. Sylvia Pankhurst has been an intimate friend of the Empress for five years, and is the editor of "New Times and Ethiopia News."

FOR FIVE YEARS THE EMPRESS OF ETHIOPIA NEVER SMILED. Gracious and gentle, never abandoning faith in her country's ultimate liberation, she has had the agony of her people under Mussolini's rule always present to her mind.

When she went to London from her home in Bath after the great news of Ethiopian successes and the falling fortunes of the Fascist invaders, one would scarcely have recognised her. One saw her now as she was in her own capital—vivacious, strong, with sparkling eyes and ready smiles, the varied expressions of her eager thoughts succeeding rapidly—a very gallant lady.

In her exiled home in Bath she has hoped and planned for the return to Ethiopia all these five years.

She insisted that her children and grandchildren in exile with her should study unceasingly to fit themselves for the great part of leaders in the development of their native country. The Crown Prince studied with a tutor, and afterwards at Liverpool University; the Duke of Harrar at Wellington College; the Princess Tsahai, following her own ardent desire, became a nurse at the Children's Hospital, Great Ormond Street, and, after qualifying as a State Registered nurse, went to Guy's for further experience.

GALLANT CHIEF EVEN THE ELDER DAUGHTER of the Empress, the widowed Princess Tanagne, has been working to equip herself for future responsibilities. She is the widow of Ras Desta, who continued to fight the Italians among the forests of Sidamo for two years after the Emperor had started on his historic mission to Europe, which has resulted in Ethiopia's alliance with Britain to fight the Axis; and his triumphant return to his country.

Ras Desta was finally captured by the soldiers of Mussolini, and instead of receiving the honours due to a prisoner of war, was shot and decapitated, his head being carried round as a sign of Italian vengeance. The murder of this magnificent son-in-law, who was an ardent co-operator in the great social reforms of the Emperor and Empress, and a most able and generous man, is one of the deep sorrows which have fallen upon the Imperial family and the people of Ethiopia.

RAS DESTA'S DAUGHTER AND SONS, with the Empress's youngest boy, are also at school, popular with their companions there and notable in their sports. Their home life is simple and sensible, much like that of English children, and their English governess proudly told me of their efficient wartime help in "digging for victory" in the big garden, which supplies all the household needs in fruit and vegetables.

The Empress, like the Emperor, regards the cause of Ethiopia as part of the cause of world freedom against the Axis, and they have both given many valuable and rare Ethiopian treasures to the British Red Cross.

MUCH TO BE DONE

"And when I am home again," she said with radiant happiness, "how much I shall have to do! My school for girls—they have made a barracks of it; but it will be reopened as soon as I return."

The Mennen Lyceum of which she spoke the first Ethiopian high school for girls, on modern European lines, was a cherished work of the Empress. She wanted to start it when the Emperor was regent and the Empress Zauditu was on the throne. The Empress Zauditu, daughter of the Emperor Menelik II, occupied the throne with the Emperor Haile Selassie, then Ras Makonnen, as Regent. But, steeped in the old traditions, Zauditu considered such innovations unnecessary. She thought the old style schools quite sufficient.

When Empress Mennen came to the throne the high school was her first project. A distinguished Frenchwoman was selected as headmistress, and most of her assistants were French or British. The curriculum was the same as that of a good boys' grammar school, with gymnastics and sports, music, painting, and also domestic science. Modern languages were a strong point. The school was an instant success. It started with 100 boarders, and many more day pupils. The little dark girls in their "gym" tunics vaulted and leapt and climbed with all the vim and go of British or American girls.

"The child marriage is the worst of African customs," the Empress told me. "My advice has been: keep your

girls at school and do not let them marry till they are 18 at the very earliest."

HOSPITAL WORK

THE EMPRESS was active in the work of the hospitals especially that for maternity, the mothers' and babies' welfare centres, and clinics which she helped to found in Ethiopia.

When all the progressive work in which she took so zealous a share was broken off short by Mussolini's outrageous and unprovoked aggression the Empress Mennen showed her courage and her quality. She called together the women of the capital, and urged them to join in patriotic effort first, of which she herself was president, undertook to assist the provisioning of the army.

Under its auspices hundreds of women of all ranks met at the palace daily, seasoning meat with salt and pepper and other condiments, and drying it in the hot African sun. According to Ethiopian custom, they baked a sort of hard bread of many nourishing ingredients mixed with butter and made into small cakes, sometimes no larger than a bean and so light that a soldier could carry on his back, together with his other equipment, sufficient to feed him for a month with only water in addition. Some of this bread was ground into powder and put in sacks, to be eaten dry, or mixed with water, and cooked in various ways.

Under the presidency of the Princess Tsehai, another organisation of women made gas masks which covered the face and which were coloured dark brown, not to show out to the enemy. They were beautifully made. The European doctors praised the skillful work, but the deadly yperite which the Italians sprayed from their planes on men, women, and children, stocks and crops, was used on too large a scale, and was of too destructive a character, for their amateur gas masks to cope with it. The yperite burnt the clothes, the hair, the very skin; it left only a painful cavity where once were eyes.

HIGH HOPES

ALL THAT THE EMPRESS SAW AS she visited gas sufferers in the hospitals. Such sad memories will never leave her, but to-day hope and impatience for the great return overwhelm all other feelings.

"My plans? To return home; to open again the schools and the hospitals, which the invaders have diverted to other uses; to continue my work which was only beginning; to open other high schools for girls in all the towns; to wipe out illiteracy; to establish efficient care of maternity and infancy, on the lines we had begun in the capital, throughout the country."

The Italian occupation will have left behind many sad problems, which the Empress and her people will have to cope; women widowed, children orphaned, families scattered, property destroyed. Farms have been laid waste, rocks and herds wantonly slaughtered; a great rebuilding will be required. The Empress will take a capable and courageous share in the work of reconstruction.

In expressing her great joy at the prospect of going home, the Empress gave her thanks to all the friends in Britain, Europe, and the United States who have helped to defend the cause of Ethiopia and justice. Her faith in the triumph of justice throughout the world is firm and bright.

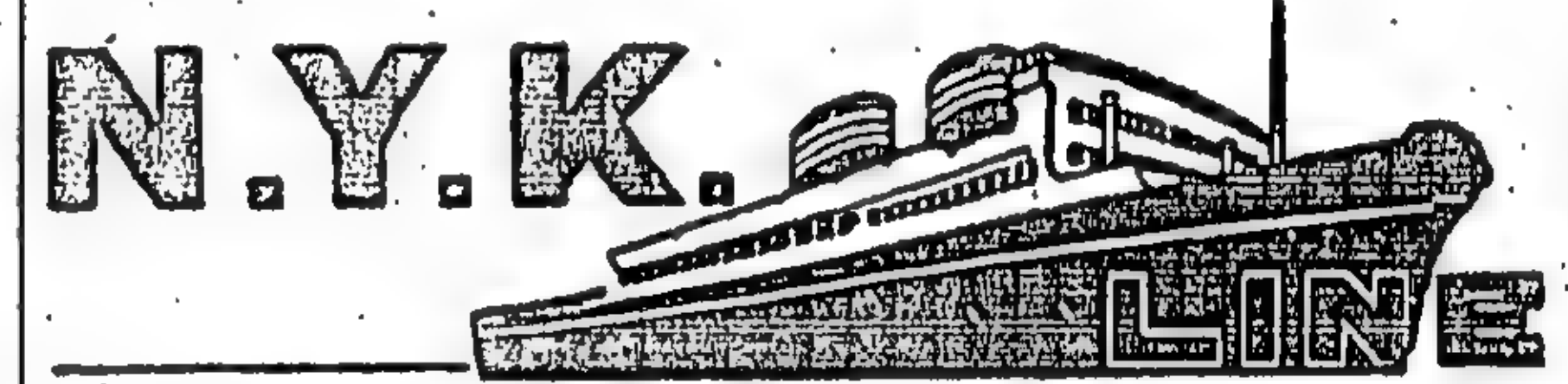
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LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—Replying to Major-General Sir Alfred Knox in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, said that supplies of rice for the poor in the International Settlement in Shanghai were primarily a matter for the Municipal Council to take up with the Japanese authorities. Asked if he knew that the price of rice had risen 700 per cent, Mr. Eden said that he knew that the situation was serious.

Defence Of Iraq Wavell's Concern

LONDON, July 9 (Reuter).—The defence of Iraq will in future be the responsibility of the Indian Command and will come under the authority of General Sir Archibald Wavell.

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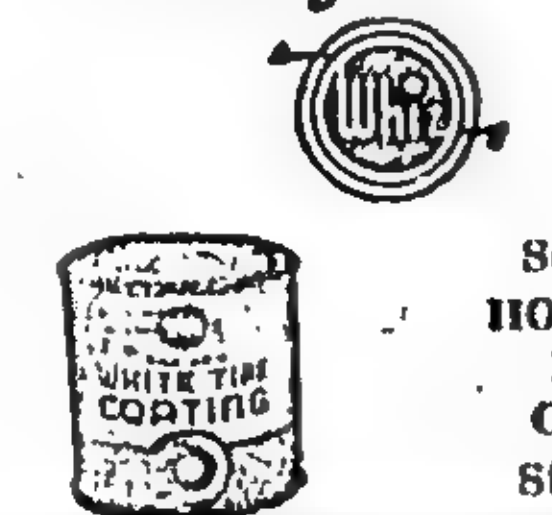
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SENSELESS ACTION

THE repeated Japanese bombing attacks on Chungking have lately been of increasing viciousness, and though the civilian population has not suffered more than usual, the so-called "safe" zone and the Embassy and foreign press quarter have been struck several times; injuries and damage being inflicted.

The British Embassy, and the foreign press hostel nearby, have always been outside the "safe" zone which is on the south bank of the river and comprises British and American business houses, the American and French Embassies and a Chinese residential area. The British Embassy is in the heart of the Chinese city and far from any military objective—a fact which would normally secure it against attack apart altogether from the large identification it wears and which has been repeatedly revealed to the Japanese in unmoistened low altitude flights round the buildings.

It is significant that Mr. R. A. Butler, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said in reply to a question in the Commons that it was not thought worthwhile to protest again, since His Majesty's Government's views on the bombing of civilians were well known.

The unfortunate aspect of this admission seems to be that His Majesty's Government evidently does not think that its protest would carry the desired weight; that a further protest would enjoy no better reception in Tokyo than earlier notes in a similar vein. However, there is the danger that if no official cognisance is taken of the affair, a precedent is created which might lead to a sort of unofficial warfare. When Tokyo ignores the bad or good aiming of its bombers, according to whether that aim is deliberate or not, then it is tacitly approving those actions. Such a state of affairs leads to the undermining of confidence between Governments, often followed by "misunderstandings" and deliberate antagonism.

The fact that Britain and America are assisting China has nothing to do with the constant bombing of the British Embassy at Chungking and does not excuse such wanton acts in the smallest degree. Ours is a stated and official policy and we would not stoop to such underhand aggravation of an already tense situation as "accidental" bombing. If the Japanese Air Force are really so bad that Tokyo must apologise for their inaccuracy then that is one more reason why Japan should not seek more enemies. If, on the other hand, their aim is deliberate, then Japan does infinite harm

It cannot be denied that the worship men bestow upon money is one of the fundamental causes of war, and if we are to erect a saner world we shall have to break down this false god.

THE GOD WE WORSHIP

By the Rev.

W. ROWLAND JONES

Vicar of Denton, Manchester

WE worship to-day not God but Gold.

The temples of this false god are erected at innumerable street corners. He claims the most desirable sites.

Houses for the workers cannot be erected, homes for the aged cannot be built, but these rich temples for the god we worship never cease to spring up.

He is a god who thrives on sacrifice. Best of all, he likes human sacrifice. Wars are fought at his behest.

When he speaks the armies march and the squadrons fly; upon their tribute to him their very strength depends.

He is a ruthless god, and a fickle one. He will raise men to great dignity, and then, by a turn of his merciless wheel, he will cast them off, and trample them in the mire.

Yet they go on worshipping him.

He has his own High Priests, who speak mystic words in his praise. "If you are not initiated," they tell us, "you will not understand. The rites and the ritual are not for the common herd. It is beyond their comprehension—how dare they presume to know? That is our province!"

The Churches, who pretend to worship the true God, are slaves to this false god, who is known by many names, though his chief votaries usually call him High Finance.

His millions of worshippers are less reverend, and prefer more homely names. In many parts of the country they call this honoured deity by the familiar title, "Brass!"

The Gold God

Jesus spoke always of Mammon, and He said that it was impossible to be a worshipper of Mammon, and, at the same time, a worshipper of God.

You can't serve God and Gold.

But the followers of Jesus have never quite learnt that lesson. I used to attend Church Conferences at one time, but we heard so much about money and so little about men's souls, so much of Mammon and so little of Christ, that I decided to give up attending.

I still have letters from the Diocese about it. Every one of the letters asks for more and more money.

I find that the Church of England is a very wealthy Church. Its money comes from ground rents on public houses, race courses, dog-tracks, and from much poor property.

The money is not refused, although the Bishops and clergy have so much to say about gambling and drinking.

This absorption with money has turned the Church of England into a vast money-raising institution, which provides economic security for a huge army of clerks, secretaries, typists and lawyers, to say nothing of clerical officials.

to her own integrity. Incidents of this kind simply strengthen the bonds between Britain and China.

It is ironic that pamphlets, urging that immediate peace between China and Japan would lead to peace throughout all Asia, were dropped with the bombs. That is another subterfuge that could well be dispensed with.

Never before did actions speak so much louder than words.



I do not think that Jesus meant His followers to maintain an organisation like that, and to call it by His sacred name.

The snare of money enslaves the Church.

Our devotion to this yellow god we worship is shown in our common speech.

"What did you make?" asked a man in the market-place. He did not mean, "What service did you give to humanity?" He meant, "How much more money were you able to bank?"

A mourning party stood outside my church. "How much Church did he leave?" asked a bystander. He did not inquire how things, the Church surrendered to its judgment through the presence of the world.

Men no longer think it is wrong to charge interest on money. Consequently I am staggered to discover that out of 8s. 6d. charged as Income Tax, 8s. goes to interest and debt charges with only 6d. available for State services.

No doubt High Finance will be able to explain that away in the interest of the god it worships and serves.

The measure of our worship of this false god Mammon was never so clearly revealed as in the poster which is being used to boost our War Savings Weeks: "Men are giving their lives; will you not lend your money?"

When we want men's lives for war we do not hesitate to take them.

When we want men's money, we borrow it, if they are prepared to lend—and even for that privilege we are prepared to pay them.

Yes, I am sure I am right! Mammon is the god we worship.

The biggest obstacle will be found in the common idea that finance is a complicated and mysterious thing which only the brains of high financiers can fathom.

Men always prefer to worship a god who is surrounded by mystery, and that is the reason why those who find personal gain by men's slavery to Mammon instil in our minds how inscrutable and complicated are the rules which govern our monetary system.

The only purpose I can see in money is as a means to enable inhabitants of a country to buy all they wish of what they make and import.

High Finance

It therefore seems obvious that the total amount of money should bear a direct relationship to produce and goods.

It also seems obvious to me that every man, woman and child in a country should have sufficient money to provide them with the necessities of life, and a little over for recreation.

The high financier, of course, will shake his head wisely, and say something which really means, "You poor mutt! Do you really think that is possible? It's far more complicated than that."

It may or may not be, but emphatically I say this: The lives of thousands of my fellow countrymen are turned into misery and struggle and wretchedness in the ceaseless, soul-destroying effort to make reluctant ends meet.

Women's lives are turned into an agony trying to pay the family budget on too small an allowance.

I cannot get them to take an interest in God because they are perpetually harassed by shortage of money to obtain what

DRESS AND GOSSIP

THE GENERAL MAN-

AGER of the Glasgow Corporation Transport Department has issued to the women conductors on his undertaking a leaflet which purports to give advice to these ladies on the daring subject of dress and deportment. We have no doubt that the instruction given is necessary if efficiency is to be kept up to a reasonably high average, but it is unfortunate that such efficiency should have to be attained at the expense of two of women's most highly-prized attributes, the expression of their personality by those individual touches to their attire which require no patent rights because they can never be duplicated, and that friendly gossip in which it is the inalienable right of women to indulge.

If we have not completely dissipated the learning which was forced upon our unwilling minds many years ago we might quote the Latin poet Ovid, who knew a great deal about the psychology of dress. "Pars Minima est ipsa puella sui," said that Roman expert, and the broad translation that "a girl is the least part of herself," while owing a great deal to poetic licence, has sufficient truth left in it to be worth remembering even in these regimented and materialistic days.

The uniformed ladies on the Glasgow vehicles may all conform to the dicta which insist that the hat must be worn forward on the brow; that the shape of the hat must not be altered; that the hair must be dressed to clear the coat collar; but even within the narrow limits left to them personally they make themselves felt, and we pity the poor male who will be called upon to give judgment when any of the conductresses are "on the mat" for breaches of the dress regulations. He will require the wisdom of Solomon and the dress sense of a Paquin.

BUT MOST OF ALL do we regret the admonishment to the ladies not to gossip with passengers. Who among us has not had the pleasant experience of having a journey shortened by the jocular of a conductor, or by listening in to his comments on events which may be convulsing either his immediate world or the greater world beyond?

The irrepressibility of the Cockney bus conductor is a byword; he actually brightened the already bright life of the Metropolis in those far-off days when there was light, and even now his merry gossip is sometimes the only light thing on a darkened journey. How much more then could we enjoy the prattle of a Scots lassie over the weary stretch, say, from Parkhead to Shettleston?

IF NIGHTINGALES ARE PERMITTED in Berkeley Square surely Mr. R. F. Smith will not insist on silence in Sauchiehall Street. We sympathise with him on the necessity of having to make rule on the dress and deportment of his women conductors, but may we plead on their behalf, and perhaps also on behalf of the more human of the passengers for whom he caters, that the rules be interpreted with a liberality through which personality may toss its dainty little head.—From "Passenger" Transportation Journal.

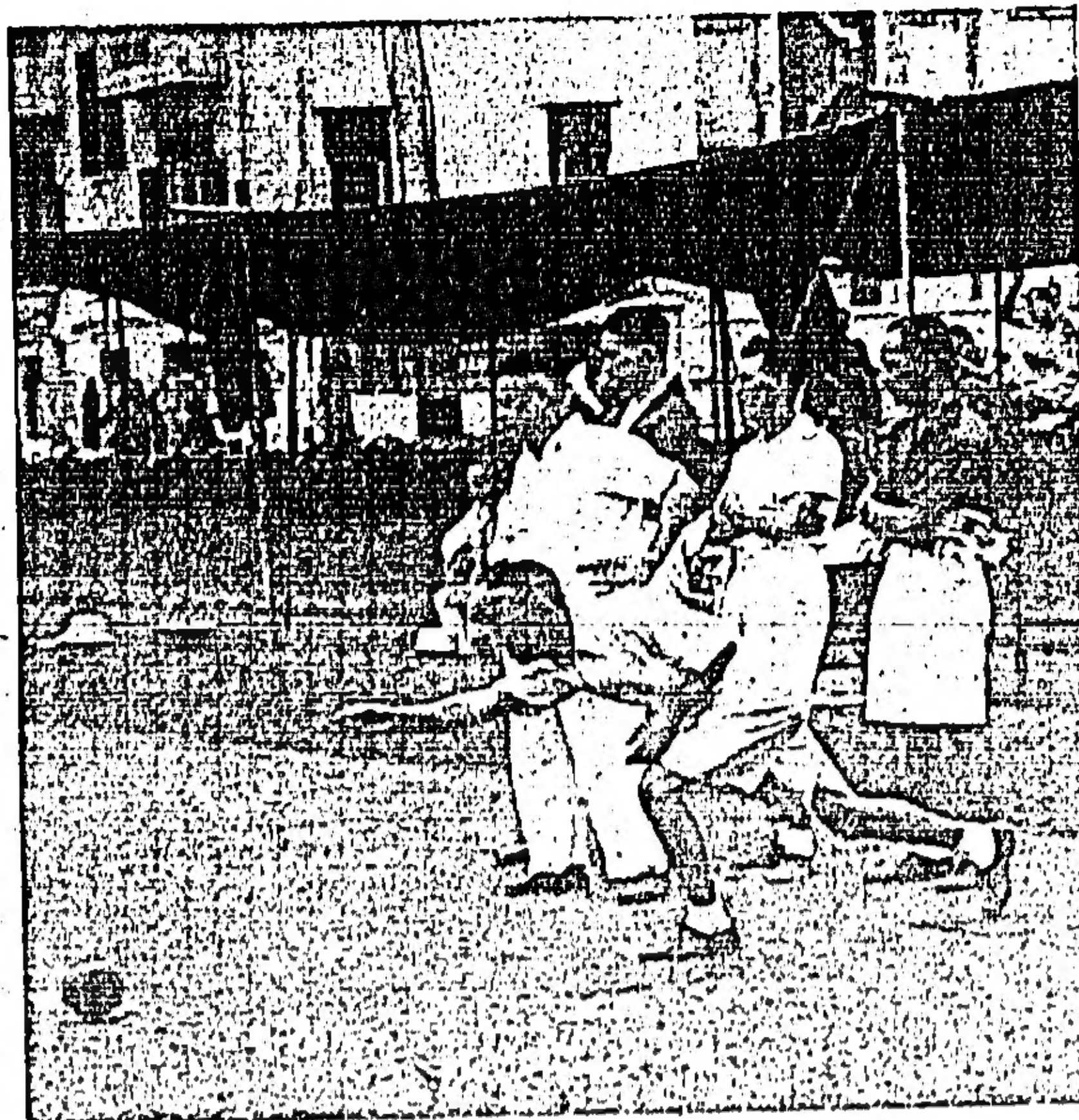
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"WICK'S" BOWLS NOTES

Craigengower Should Regain League Title



Though C. E. Marques (bowling) is in the same rink, L. C. R. Sousa (C.C.C.), J. W. Leonard (C.C.C.), J. A. Luz (Recreio "A") and J. F. V. Ribeiro (Recreio) seem to find greater interest in the happenings on the rink next door.

Ming Yuen.

Recreio "A" Beaten By Surprising Margin: Set-Back For Indian R.C.

HOME TEAMS had a field day in the Lawn Bowls League last week. Without exception, visiting teams were on the losing side, the most notable result being the 5-0 victory scored by Craigengower C.C. over the champions, Recreio "A".

Biggest Defeat In Years

Though I had expected the Valley team to win, I did not think that they would do it with a margin of 27 shots or that they would be up on all three rinks. It was the biggest thrashing Recreio "A" had had in many years.

With this victory, Craigengower C.C. are set for the championship which they last won in 1936. Already they are one point ahead of Recreio "A" with two matches in hand—a very strong position, indeed.

The start of this match gave no indication of the eventual one-sidedness. R. F. Luz, drawn against C. S. Rossetti, ran away with a lead of nine shots and as there was very little in it in the other two rink games, a fairly even tussle seemed likely.

But a complete metamorphosis came over the game when Rossetti's rink scored 24 shots without reply from Luz and turned a 0-9 deficit into a 24-0 lead.

U. M. Omar also ran away from "Spuggy" Silva, thanks to steady play by his front men, of whom the two younger Omars were especially good.

An Even Fight

ON the third rink, there was an even fight between B. W. Bradbury and Carlos Silva. The latter returned to the team specially for this all-important game and despite his lack of practice, he revealed flashes of his old form although he was not altogether at his best. The final score on this rink was 24-16, but it might have been much closer.

When the last head was played, Bradbury was leading 20-16. Joe Luz sent down two beautiful woods and C. E. Marques added another. But A. E. Coates, Bradbury's No. 3, rested on the bench for the shot. Johnny Ribeiro and Carlos Silva both had bad luck in their attempts to take this out, and in the end they had to concede four shots on this head as the result of taking out three second shots one after another!

Chief credit in Craigengower's victory must go to Rossetti's rink for their splendid recovery. After a shaky start, all four played well to a man. Gaddi, promoted for this match, deserves special men-

tion for his great consistency. U. M. Omar conceded a seven against "Spuggy" Silva when leading 20-11, but the Valley players were in no danger of defeat then. Still, it was the first time in many years that the champion had given away such a count in a League match.

ON the adjoining green, the Police continued their winning streak with a fine victory over the Indians. True, Jack Shepherd's hitherto unbeaten rink bowed to A. R. Dallah's by nine shots, but Wally Mair and Jack Fender saw the side through by beating A. K. Minu and M. R. Abbas respectively.

Shepherd's men were always up against it against Dallah's four, who were playing at the top of their form. The Indian rink were three shots to the good at tea time but a five and six on two heads gave them a substantial lead which they maintained to the end.

Wally Mair was always ahead of Minu, while Fender, after being 10-16 on the 17th head with Abbas, ran away in the last few heads to win by six shots.

In the last head of the day—between Shepherd and Dallah—the Indians were one shot down. Harris drew a lovely wood and Dallah scooped the Indians' fate by drawing two more.

A. H. Rumjahn, Dallah's No. 3, who had been playing splendidly throughout the afternoon, failed to alter the position, and Dallah was twice narrow, leaving the Police with three shots on this head and victory by four shots in all.

The return of J. Forrest, J. Orem and J. C. Fender to the team has strengthened the Police considerably. All three were fairly steady on Saturday, and a little more practice will probably weld them into a formidable rink as they have E. G. Post playing No. 1.

THE new Kowloon C.C. combinations are working well. They followed up their victory over the Indians the week before by trouncing the Civil Servants on Saturday by two rinks to one, Tommy Madar's being the only one to lose.

"Teddy" Fincher, after breaking his "duck" the previous week, scored another win this time at the expense of E. W. Simmonds, and N. J. Bebbington continued his good work as skip by beating J. J. McGowan.

M. N. Rakusen, the singles champion, was given adequate support by his men and had a seven-shot win.

AS to be expected, Kowloon B.G.C. "A" had no difficulty against Kowloon Dockers and picked up five valuable points. The "B" team, which visited Recreio "B", however, were beaten by two rinks to one.

F. A. Peckham, skipping a rink in the First Division for the first time, did well against C. M. Silva, who was also playing a rink for the first time. The K.B.G.C. men won by 22-11, thus giving his side one point.

IN the Second Division, Craigengower C.C. lost valuable ground in the race for championship honours as the result of their 5-0 defeat by Prison Officers' Club at Stanley. It was a bad day for them as even Tommy Lock, who has been doing so well of late, also lost.

Kowloon Tong made amends for their previous week's lapse by taking four points from Kowloon C.C. and are in a sound position.

IN the Third Division, the leading teams won, but while Kowloon B.G.C. scored a clean sweep against Craigengower, the Indians only managed to win on one rink and tie in another, and were somewhat fortunate to win the aggregate points by one shot.

The K.B.G.C. are 2½ points ahead of the Indians from the same number of matches played, and the return game between the two sides will go a long way towards deciding the championship in this division.

RAIN has been the bug-bear of the Open Championships to date. Last Sunday's matches in the Rink were of course washed out, and the Pairs, which are still in the first-round stage, have made very little progress.

Those who have yet to play off their matches should avail themselves of the first dry day to have them played.

League Tennis.

C.R.C. Defeat University 5-4 In "C" Division

THREE of the five league tennis matches in the "C" Division were played yesterday, the K. Indians-Kowloon C.C. and Craigengower-Recreio games being postponed.

Chinese Recreation Club scored another victory, narrowly beating the University by 5-4, while South China also forged ahead with a 5½-3½ win over the Army.

T. C. Lo and P. Lui were the only University pair that gained any measure of success against the Chinese R.C. winning two of their matches and drawing the other.

K. I. Chan and H. N. Wong contributed largely to South China's win over the Army, winning as they did all three of their games.

Scores were:

I.R.C. 3, K. Tong 6

Indians lost to Kowloon Tong 3-6. A. Rahmin and I. Kitchell lost to D. Chen and A. H. Busto 2-6; lost to L. Chen and E. Poon 4-6; beat D. Kwok and H. L. Huang 6-3.

M. P. Madar and A. J. Saffell lost to Chen and Busto 1-6; Chen and Poon 7-5; lost to Kwok and Huang 3-6. H. Hassan and A. R. H. Earnall lost to Chen and Busto 2-6; beat Chen and Poon 6-3; lost to Kwok and Huang 5-7.

H.K.U. 4, C.R.C. 5

University lost to C.R.C. 4-5. G. K. Hool and K. Y. Tam lost to H. N. Chau and T. F. Lo 2-6; lost to C. Wei and H. Chung 5-7; beat M. C. Tung and C. K. Lee 6-3.

T. C. Lo and P. Lui beat Chau and Lo 6-2; beat Wei and Chung 6-4; tied with Tung and Lee 6-6. F. L. Yoon and C. F. Loke lost to Chau and Lo 2-6; lost to Wei and Chung 2-6; tied with Tung and Lee 6-6.

S.C.A.A. 5½, Army 3½

South China beat Army 5½-3½. K. I. Chan and H. N. Wong beat Emberson and Duffield 2-4; beat Webb and Denyer 6-0; beat Megson and Murray 7-5.

J. Hui and K. C. Wan lost to Emberson and Duffield 4-6; drew with Webb and Denyer 6-6; beat Megson and Murray 6-3. H. K. Kwok and K. Sung lost to Emberson and Duffield 4-6; beat Webb and Denyer 7-5; lost to Megson and Murray 3-6.

Efforts To Revive British Lawn Tennis Exhibitions And Tours

LONDON (UP).—Efforts are being made to put some life in British lawn tennis, which has been badly affected by the war.

QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT SCORES FOR P.G.A.

LOS ANGELES, July 9 (Reuter).—The qualifying round for the first round of the Professional Golf Association's match play tournament was played at Denver, Colorado, to-day.

The first six of the 64 qualifiers are: Sam Snead 69, 63, 138; E. J. Harrison 69, 71, 140; Ben Hogan 69, 71, 140; Jim Demarest 72, 68, 140; Henry Hanson 71, 69, 140; George Fazio 70, 70, 140.

Cycle Time Trial Arranged By Chinese "Y"

A bicycle time-trial, open to the Colony and under the auspices of the Chinese Y.M.C.A., was held at Tsun Wan yesterday.

Thirty-seven competitors were sent away at intervals of one minute and it was over an hour before the last cyclist left.

Miss Hung Siu-chu, the first competitor to be sent away, at 9.34 a.m., was the second to complete the course. Her time was 2 hrs. 10 mins. 55 sec., but this time is subject to a final check.

A. J. S. Sandberg, of La Salle College, who was second of the last year, was the first to return and he took 39 mins 21 secs to cover the 25 miles course.

Results

The first 15 competitors to finish, with their starting and finishing times given in brackets, were: Miss Hung Siu-chu (9.34/11.52.55); A. J. S. Sandberg (9.39/11.72.21); Pun Siu-kum (9.39/11.52.00); Kwong Chak-chuen (9.52/11.53.10); Leung Kai-fo (9.42/11.44.14); Tam Kwan-sun (9.44/11.51.49); Yeung Chung-sam (9.45/11.52.54); Lee Hing-lai

Plans have been made to send a team of professionals round the country to entertain troops, instruct in schools and revive the clubs during the summer.

The scheme, like the similar scheme adopted by the amateurs to tour the country with exhibitions, was evolved by the sports committee of the British Red Cross, and not by the governing body of the game.

L.T.A. Contribution

IT is understood, however, that the Lawn Tennis Association, which is the governing body, will contribute towards the expenses. Stanley Rous, Football Association secretary, who has done so much for other sports as honorary secretary of the Red Cross committee is making this attempt to revive interest in tennis.

A regular visitor to Wimbledon in peace-time, he always occupied a seat in the committee box reserved for distinguished visitors on the big days of championship meetings. Headed by Pilot-Officer Don Maskell, the Wimbledon coach, who has arranged to visit a school at Weston-super-Mare, near Bristol, the team of professionals will go anywhere—providing they receive a donation for the Red Cross Sports Fund.

Exhibition Matches

EXHIBITION matches by Wimbledon players, including Kay Menzies, Jack Nicklaus, Peggy Witkin, Billie Yorke, Margot Lamb, Joan Ingram, Freda Hamersley and Gem Hoehling, have been arranged as part of the plan.

Country secretaries have been invited to organise junior championships, the winners to play in a Junior Tournament at a centre to be arranged later.

(9.47/11.41.41); Chan Sin-yau (9.48/11.45.50); Chan Kam-chung (9.50/11.30.22); Kwan Fook-choon (9.51/11.40.50); Fook-ming (9.54/11.30.44); Lau Kam-nak (9.56/11.36.44); Leung Yuk-tong (9.57/11.47.0); Ip Wing-kin (10.02/11.47.17).

Annual F.A. Meeting Approves New Rules Maximum Admission Charges

EXCEPT FOR ALTERATION to the period of time to be allowed returned touring teams before filing a statement of accounts, the important proposals of the F. A. Council, which were submitted to the annual general meeting of members last night, were passed without opposition.

It was also decided that future maximum admission charges to any match would be \$2.

Hon. Mr N. L. Smith, President, was in the chair, supported by Hon. Mr M. K. Lo, Cmdr Millet and Mr W. Pryde (Vice-Presidents).

Reviewing the year, the President said:

The net profit of \$4,431.50 is highly satisfactory. It was a matter of regret that owing to the political situation Shanghai was unable to come for the annual Inter-Port.

The financial results of charity matches have been fully set out in the report and I feel we have every reason to be proud of the fact that through the instrumentality of such matches, \$20,274.48 has been donated to charities.

New Officers

The following officers were elected. President, Hon. N. L. Smith; Vice-President (Civilian), Mr W. Pryde; Vice-President (Chinese), Hon. Mr M. K. Lo; Vice-President (Services), Col. L. A. Newnham; Chairman of Council, Mr Wong Ka-tsun; Representative of Second and Third Divisions, Mr C. Gungam.

Touring Finances

Referring to the rule which required that clubs making tours, must submit a financial statement within 14 days of their return, Mr W. E. Hollands suggested that the period be extended to two months. He said a team on tour generally left the day after the last match and consequently it was impossible to file a financial statement within 14 days as it had to await the return of that game.

Mr Mok Hing supported Mr Hollands, saying a team might have to wait even more than two months.

Mr Lo suggested that the period be extended to 28 days, subject to extension by the Council. This was approved.

Team Strength

Concerning the rule which required clubs to play their full strength, Mr J. McKelvie observed that the matter was entirely up to the clubs and had nothing to do with the Association. Mr Mok expressed the view that as only amateur football was played it was up to the players to appear. Mr Wong Ka-tsun said the rule was followed by amateur clubs in England.

Mr J. Skinner pointed out that although players were amateurs, gate receipts were taken and thus there was an element of professionalism in the game. He said a club should be at full strength.

Mr Lo suggested that the wording be changed in order to give the Council the right to call upon any club for an explanation as to why the full team was not played. The rule, as it stood, he said, placed rather too big a burden on clubs. Mr Pryde pointed out that the Council would call for an explanation only if they had very good reason.

Mr W. Glover proposed that the rule, as it stood, be put to the vote. This was agreed to. Cmdr Millet pointed out the position of the Navy, saying it was sometimes very difficult for them to play a full team and that under the rule, they would have to give an explanation. He was assured by the President that no explanation would be called for in their case.

Maximum Admission Fee

In connection with the rule fixing the maximum charge for admission at \$1, Mr Skinner suggested that this be

Programme For Inter-Departmental Gala To-morrow

The Government Inter-Departmental Swimming Gala, which was postponed from last Monday, will be held to-morrow night in the European Y.M.C.A. Swimming pool, with post entries, commencing at 9 p.m.

Commodore (Captain) A. C. Collinson, R.N., will be the Referee and other distinguished guests, who are expected to be present are H. E. Major-General A. E. Grasett, Sir Atholl MacGregor and Lady MacGregor and the Commissioner of Prisons.

The total receipts are in aid of the South China Morning Post Bomber Fund and admission is by ticket only, at \$1.50 each.

Programme

The following is the programme: 50 yards free-style (men); 50 yards free-style for Government women; 100 yards medley relay (teams of four, back, breast, side and free); Veterans (40 and over); 50 yards free-style (50 yards back-stroke); Hospital Sisters 100 yards free-style relay (teams of four, 25 yards each, open to Queen Mary Hospital, Kowloon Hospital, V.A.D.'s and Stanley V.A.D.'s); 50 yards breast-stroke; Water polo (open to Queen Mary Hospital, Kowloon Hospital, V.A.D.'s and Stanley V.A.D.'s); 200 yards free-style Invitation Relay (Combined Government, Combined Services "A", Combined Services "B", Combined Hong Kong and European Y.M.C.A.); 25 yards "Taipei" race; 50 yards Doctors' race; Novice (Eightball) and candle race; Inter-Departmental 150 yards free-style relay (teams of six).

Gala Postponed

The swimming gala scheduled for the Chinese Bathing Club last night, to select team to meet Victoria Recreation Club was postponed to July 15 at 7 p.m.

Another gala will be held on July 19 at 7 p.m.

Failed to \$2. He said a cheaper price would attract too big a crowd with resultant damage to the stands.

The suggestion was opposed by Capt. R. E. Guest, who said the public should not be exploited. At the moment, there was no fixed maximum and any club could charge whatever it liked for a good match. This was hardly fair to the public in general and service-men in particular.

Lieut-Comdr. C. S. Hugh-Jones observed that the question of gate money was entirely a matter of business for the clubs concerned. They were the best judges for the happy medium.

Capt. Guest proposed that the maximum charge be fixed at \$2 and service-men \$1.

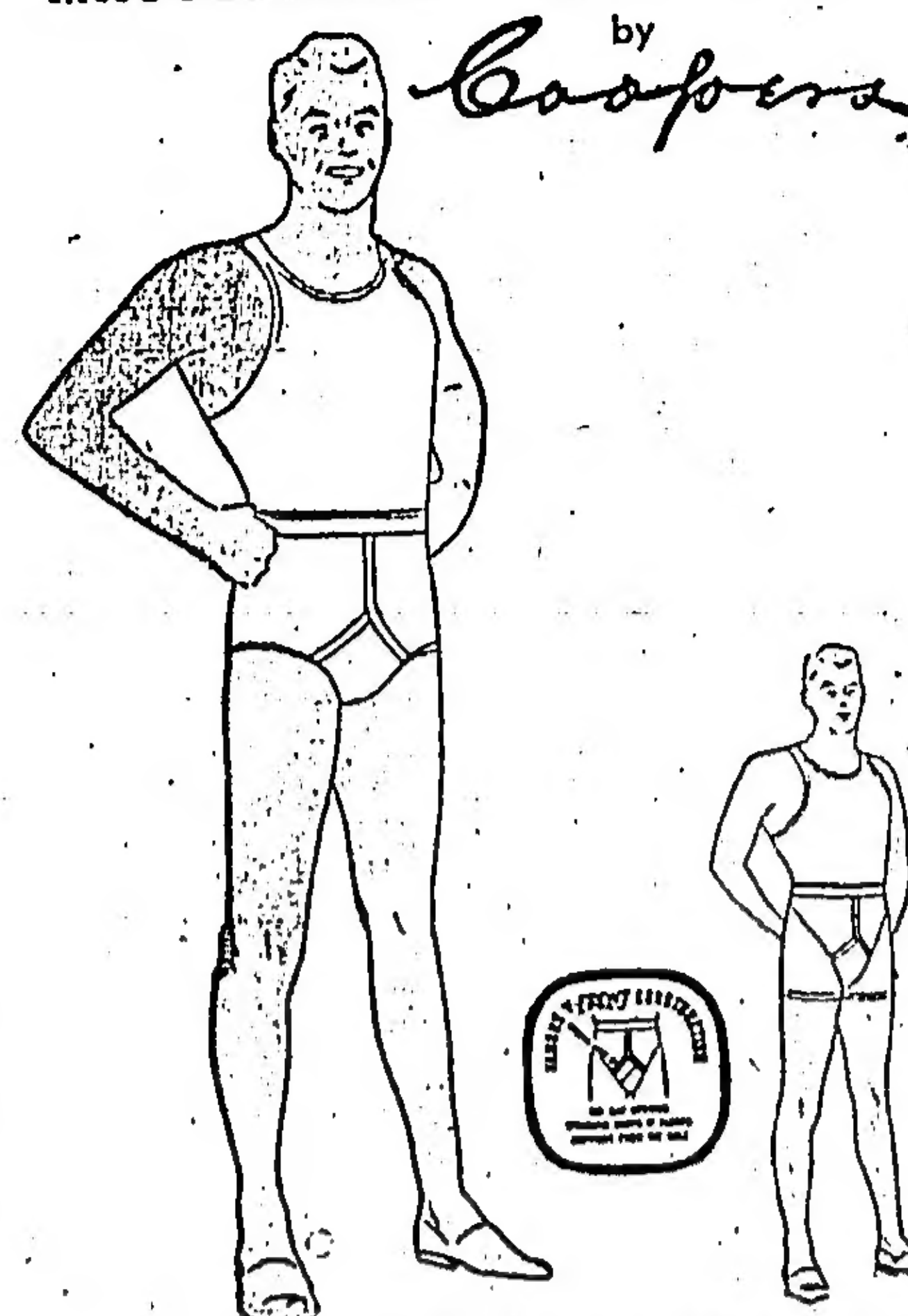
Mr Skinner said it would be better to leave the question of charging service-men to the clubs because they had always given them a fair deal. After Mr Pryde had spoken in similar vein, Capt. Guest withdrew his proposal, and the rule was passed with the maximum charge fixed at \$2 instead of \$1.

The rule relating to the maximum charge for admission to Shield matches was also amended to \$2 instead of \$1. McKelvie raised the question of the use of grounds and appealed to the top bargaining for terms for their use.

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"My good man, I've been up since cockcrow. The clocks were striking eight as I sprang from my Spartan box spring mattress."
"Indeed, Sir."
"Yes, Hawkins. Indeed! Indeed! Indeed! I suppose you think I ought to have a roaring headache and a taste in my mouth like cold dinner knives?"
"Well, Sir, now that you press me, you were out rather late last night."
"Of course I was. Didn't get back till three. But I drank nothing but 'Ginlets.' And now I'm feeling as fit as one of those culinary what's-its-named."
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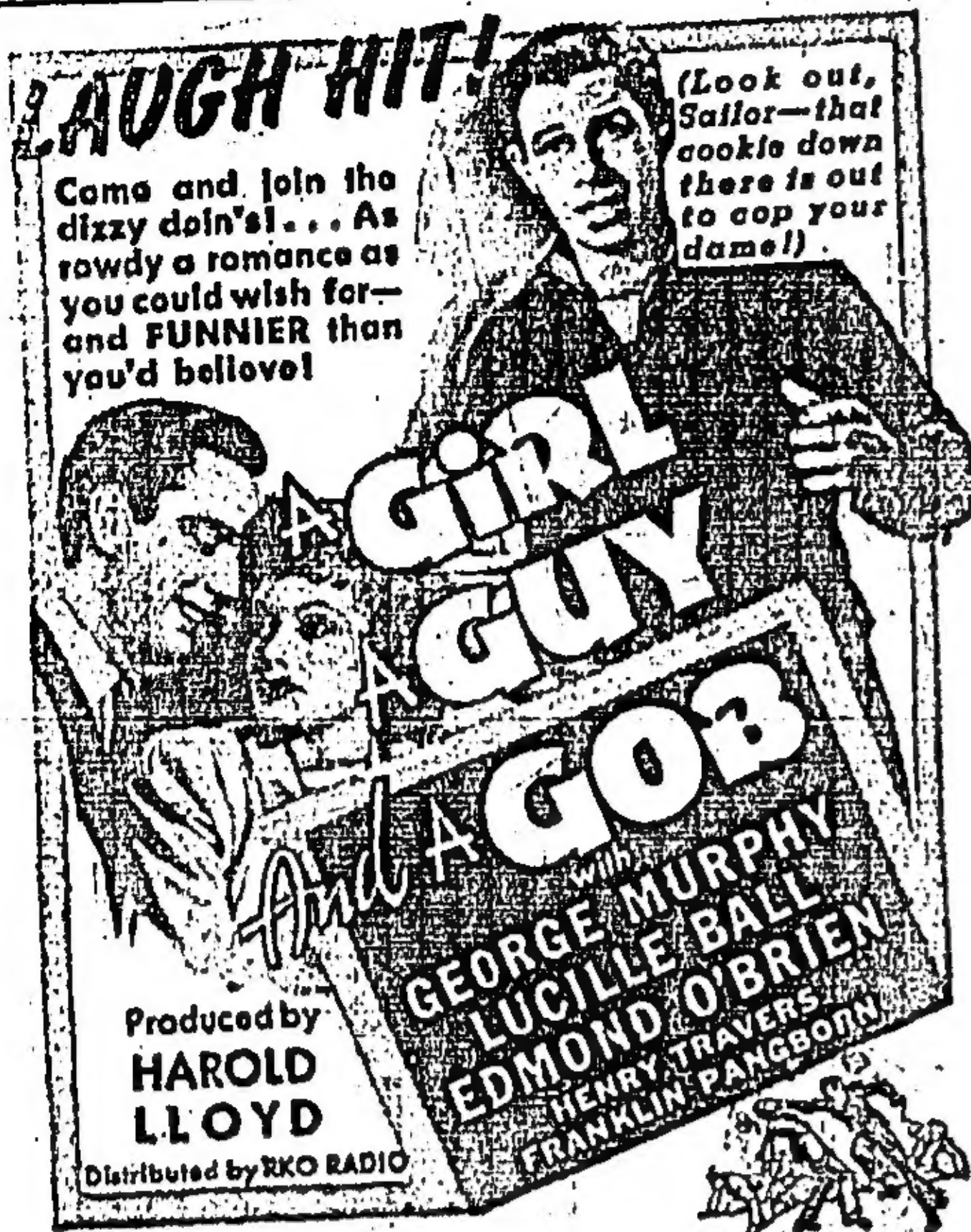


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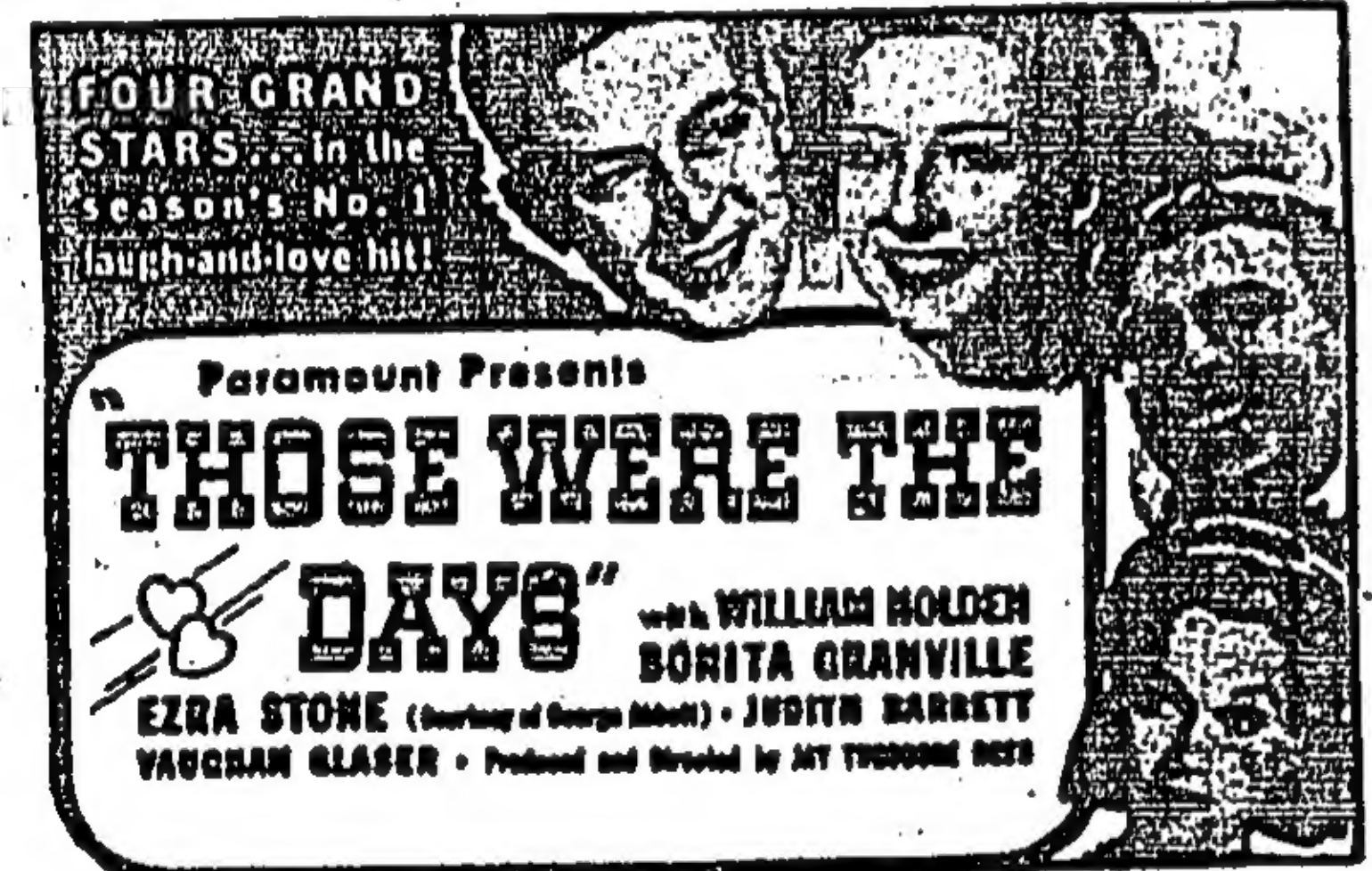
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where the enemy suffered heavy losses.

Strange Silence
BERLIN, July 9 (UP).—For the second successive day the German High Command significantly drew a complete veil over the fighting on the German-Soviet front. However, authorised German quarters declared that fierce fighting is raging along the whole length of the front where the Nazis are seeking to smash through the Stalin Line, with the invaders now from 300 to 400 kilometers inside Soviet territory.

It was stated that the conflict has now entered its second decisive phase. "Soviet troops have taken up new defence positions," it was revealed, and then added:

"The High Command's objective is not primarily to conquer mere territory, but to bring about the complete and absolute destruction of the main Soviet armies."

Military Reasons
It was declared that the present reticence on the part of the High Command is based on military reasons. "At many points, Soviet communications have completely broken down and the Red army command has no means of knowing where the main German thrusts are coming. Their difficulties are further increased by the heavy losses of the Red air fleets, which make it virtually impossible to conduct air reconnaissance."

The German High Command's silence is designed to prevent revealing any information to them." According to the official news agency, the Luftwaffe, attacking communications in the rear of the Russian forces, on July 8 destroyed 14 trains, 273 trucks and 80 tanks. In addition, trains were derailed or set on fire. Railway lines at numerous points were dislocated. Marching troops and truck columns were severely damaged by bomb and machine-gun fire.

It is claimed that the Soviet attempts to create new defence positions on the Latvian-Soviet frontier have been smashed, the Soviet troops being hurled back by the advancing Germans.

Strong Resistance
The Reds yesterday employed strong forces to hold up the Nazi-Rumanian offensive in Bessarabia. Soviet tank forces were repulsed after hard fighting. German and Rumanian troops pursued the enemy and achieved large territorial gains.

The Russians suffered severe losses in men, materials and munitions. The booty included large quantities of war material, numerous machine-guns and several thousands of prisoners.

Twenty-seven Soviet bombers who were attempting to raid a German airfield yesterday were all shot down by fighters and anti-aircraft fire. A total of 128 Soviet planes were shot down on July 8, of which 79 were accounted for in air battles. On July 7 the Soviets lost 201 planes.

Heroic Resistance
STOCKHOLM, July 9 (UP).—A Finnish broadcast from Lulea this afternoon, describing the battle for the Stalin Line in the northernmost part between Ostrov and Lake Peipus stated that the fighting was very fierce according to a German report. The Red Army is resisting heroically in the "bloodiest battle of the war so far."

DEMAND FOR SECOND-HAND WREATHS

"There is apparently a good demand for second-hand wreaths and these thefts are getting very common," said Det-Sergeant V. M. Morrison to Mr. H. G. Sheldon, r.c., at Central Magistracy, this morning, when Chan Yee, 17, flower-stall fook of No. 5 O'Brien Road, Wanchai, and So Yau, 29 unemployed, admitted stealing ten wreaths, valued at \$20, from the grave of an Indian Inspector of Police at the Sikh Cemetery, Happy Valley, yesterday.

Sergeant Morrison added that the framework of the wreaths could be used over and over again with fresh flowers and that there was a good market for second-hand wreaths. First Defendant himself was a dealer in flowers and wreaths.

Defendants were sentenced to six weeks' hard labour each.

JUNK SUNK OFF NAVAL CAMBER

Salvage work on a junk which is sunk approximately 250 feet WNW from the northern end of the Oiling Jetty, Naval Camber, Kowloon, is being commenced.

Craft employed on the work will show the regulation signals, and all craft are warned to give the salvage craft a wide berth, and when passing to go as slowly as possible compatible with safe navigation.

Release Of Funds

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LARGE BAIL ESTREATED

Warrant Against Alleged Briber

Bail of \$2,500 was ordered to be issued against Robert Thomas Chan, alias Chan Cheung, 30, rent collector, of No. 45 Kai Yee Road, when he failed to appear before Mr. D. J. N. Anderson at Kowloon Magistracy this morning on the charge of offering a motorcar as a bribe to a European medical officer.

Chan was alleged to have offered a car No. 3767, valued at \$1,150, to Dr. C. Jones, of the Medical Department, on June 27 with intent to influence his conduct as a public servant, namely, to unseal the doors of 500 Queen's Road, West, to release some 400,000 tins of canned goods, of which at least eight per cent. were unfit for human consumption.

Mr. F. W. Shaffain, Assistant Director of Criminal Investigation, stated that he understood that Defendant had left the Colony and asked his Worship to estreat the bail and to issue a warrant for Defendant's arrest.

Mr. W. M. Brown appeared for Defendant.

Gambling On Ping Chau

Police Raid Succeeds

Because of complaints received from inhabitants of Ping Chau Island of the prevalence of street gambling, a party of Police officers, led by Mr. L. A. Searle, Assistant Superintendent of Police, carried out a raid about 8 p.m. yesterday.

Acting Sub-Inspector A. F. Estall, prosecuted eight men before Mr. S. F. Balfour at the Court of the District Office, South, this morning, for playing pai-kau and fan-tan in Wing On Street, Ping Chau Island, New Territories.

Defendants were Kwok Ngau-chai, 34, Ho Fo, 26, Wong Ching-chai, 54, Fong Kwok-kui, 50, Kong Kan-yau, 28, Tsang Chun, 41, Chan Hing-fong, 28, and So Shiu, 31. Fourth Defendant, who pleaded not guilty, was discharged with a caution, while the remaining Defendants admitted the charge and were each fined \$3 or three days' hard labour.

A sum of \$3.63 picked up was given to the Poor Box and the gambling gear was ordered confiscated.

Methods Of Pig Thieves

To Prevent Squealing

A common practice of pig thieves of sprinkling lime over pigs to prevent them from squealing, was revealed by Sergeant Morris at Central Magistracy before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, r.c., this morning.

Ma Kwun-hung, 20, Cheung Chuen, 25, and Chan Tak, 22, all unemployed, were charged with loitering with intent to commit a felony on the hillside opposite the South China Bathing Shed, King's Road, North Point, at 11.30 p.m. on Tuesday.

Liu Sai, a watchman employed to look after pig-stys in that area, stated in evidence that he saw five men approach a sty. When challenged they ran off but he arrested the Second Defendant. An alarm was raised and two others were arrested by the Police while they were hiding in the South China bathing shed.

Defendants admitted loitering in the area but denied felonious intent. A gunny bag and a parcel of white lime found near one of the stys was produced in Court.

LATE NEWS

Syria Armistice Reported Signed

LONDON, July 10 (Reuter).—An armistice is reported to have been signed between the French authorities in Syria and the Allied representatives.

There is no official confirmation of this as yet.

Earlier the Columbia Broadcasting System's correspondent at Ankara reported that an agreement to be signed between Vichy and the Allies contained ten points, including firstly, that all Vichy war materials were to be handed over intact to the Allies, as well as the administration and communications; secondly, an offer to be made to French soldiers, officers and civil officials to join the Free French or else to be transported to France; thirdly, Syria and Lebanon immediately to join the sterling bloc.

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British Forces Will Remain In Iceland

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can policy is, therefore, in complete harmony with British interest and we have no reason to object to it at any time. I cannot see that we should have any grounds for taking any other attitude in view of the invitation extended to the U.S.A. by the Icelandic government.

"We still propose to retain our army in Iceland and as the British and U.S. forces will both have the same object in view, namely the defence of Iceland, it seems very likely that they will co-operate closely and effectively in resisting any attempt by Hitler to gain a footing."

Second Principle
After stating that he found "no reason for regretting the steps which the U.S. have taken in the circumstances forced upon them," Mr. Churchill turned to what he understood to be the second principle which led the U.S. to the occupation of Iceland. This he thought he found in the declared will and purpose of the President, Congress and people of the United States not only to send all possible aid in munitions and supplies to Britain but also to make sure that they arrive.

U.S. Responsibility
"Here again is a course of action for which the U.S. must take full responsibility. Apart from this position, U.S. forces in Iceland will require to be sustained at sea from time to time. These consignments to American forces on duty overseas for the purpose of the U.S.A. will have to traverse very dangerous waters and as we have a very large traffic passing through these waters, it may be found in practice mutually advantageous for the two navies involved to assist each other as far as convenient in that part of the waters."

"I do not think I need say anything further about a matter which seems so very plain and simple."

ANGLO-SOVIET CONFERENCES

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not also American technicians to Russia.

Thursday's talks which will include meetings with Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty and Sir Archibald Sinclair, Secretary of State for Air, are expected to extend the unification of war plans to the naval and aeronautic fields.

All sides are preserving secrecy of the details of their talks, keeping foreign observers guessing.

Foreign Ambassadors are reporting to their Governments from London their surprise that the Anglo-Russian talks include practical means for British and United States aid to the Soviets, and Britain's possible assistance to the Red fleet in the Baltic.

On Finnish Front

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ly injured in last night's Soviet air raid.

Statement In Commons
LONDON, July 9 (British Wireless).—Finnish forces have taken part in the hostilities on Soviet territory, the Foreign Secretary stated in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Anthony Eden added that it was untrue that H.M. Consul-General in Helsinki had been compelled by the Finnish Government to leave Finland.

Capital Raided

HELSINKI, July 9 (UP).—The Finnish capital had its second bad air raid last night and the casualties are believed to be much higher than on Sunday night.

Shortly after the air raid alarm, the fiercest barrage the city has ever heard began around the suburbs. Soviet bombers flew over the city and three planes flew heavily damaged and released bombs, heavily damaging more than a half dozen buildings.

LIFE BANISHEE'S FRIGHT LEADS TO ARREST

Li Ngan, 38, a life banishee who had twice previously entered the Colony in defiance of the deportation order, was sentenced to nine months' hard labour by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, r.c., at Central Magistracy, this morning, when charged with the theft of 19 pieces of clothing, valued at \$10, and \$1.05 in cash, the property of Leung Wing, 21, shop-fook, at No. 8 Sutherland Street, ground floor, West Point, yesterday.

Sergeant Davies stated Defendant was seen by a Policeman at 4.15 a.m., carrying a bundle of clothing in Sutherland Street. When the Constable approached Defendant, the latter dropped the bundle and ran away. He was chased and arrested near Ko Shing Street.

Defendant admitted the charge. He was sentenced to three months' hard labour on the larceny charge and nine months on the banishment offence, the sentences to run concurrently.

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